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## Whereabouts not known Iran accuses CIA for boat hijacking

BEIRUT, Aug. 15 (Agencies) — Iran Saturday accused the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) of masterminding the hijack of a French-made Iranian missile boat by exiled pro-Shah supporters.

The boat was commandeered in Spanish waters, and Iran said it was Spain's responsibility to recover the vessel. Iran's position was made public in a statement broadcast by the state-run Tehran radio. 26 more firing squad executions carried a government crackdown on secular leftist opponents of Ayatollah Khomeini's regime into an eighth week.

The Iranian Foreign Ministry said investigation made showed "the hand of the CIA obvious in the recent piracy" of the missile boat off Spain's southern port of Cadiz Thursday. It reiterated claims the boat was now in Morocco, despite repeated Moroccan government denials. Travelers between the British crown colony of Gibraltar and Morocco gave conflicting reports on sighting the hijacked missile boat. Some passengers said they spotted the boat at the Moroccan port of Tangiers, but sailors on private yachts and a Gibraltar Airways captain said they had seen no sign of the vessel on the northwestern African coast.

In a Tehran radio statement monitored in Beirut, the Iranian Foreign Ministry said the hijack assault was led by former Navy Commander Adm. Kamal Habibollahi, an exiled supporter of the late Shah.

The statement charged that former U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance helped Habibollahi escape from Iran after 1979. It claimed documents proving Vance's role in Habibollahi's escape were turned over to Khomeini last year by militant students who seized the U.S. embassy in Tehran. The statement did not elaborate.

Iran's Commander-in-chief Maj. Gen. Vahid Khatami said in an interview broadcast by Tehran state radio and television that the Spanish government has a "commitment" to recover and return the 49-meter missile-launching vessel. He said a special Iranian team has been set up to try to recover the missile boat "through diplomatic moves with Spain." He did not elaborate.

The boat, *The Tabarin*, was hijacked off Cadiz after a refueling stop during the journey from France's Atlantic shipyard of Cherbourg to Iran's naval base of Bushehr. Two other missile boats making the same journey continued to steam toward Iran. The Azadegan movement headed by retired four-star Gen. Braham Aryana, a former Iranian chief of staff during the Shah, has claimed responsibility in Paris for the hijack.

Azadegan said Saturday the boat was in international waters. A spokesman for the group added he would give no other details until the operation under way was completed.

According to the commander of the Port of Tangiers, quoted by Spanish radio, the ship "did not enter harbor."



WRENCHED: A demonstrator is wrenched from the field by a policeman before the start of the rugby international match between New Zealand and South Africa in Christchurch, New Zealand, Saturday. About 200 demonstrators ran into the field to be repelled by the police. (Related story page 8)

## Saudi, Franco summit Sept. 26

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 — King Khaled will lead a government delegation composed of Crown Prince Fahd and high-level officials to meet French President Francois Mitterrand at Taif Airport at the start of a three-day state visit to the Kingdom Sept. 26.

Mitterrand, who is making his first visit to a Middle Eastern country since he was elected president of the Fourth Republic last April, will be honored by King Khaled to a state-dinner in the evening.

On Sept. 27 the King and the French Socialist president hold the first round of summit talks expected to focus on bilateral relations, the Arab-Israeli conflict and international questions.

Crown Prince Fahd will, in the same evening, entertain President Mitterrand to a dinner to be followed by private talks.

King Khaled and President Mitterrand will hold the second and final session Sept. 28, and at noon the King will be guest of honor to a banquet at Al Messarah Intercontinental to be given by the French leader. Crown Prince Fahd, Saudi Arabian and French officials will attend.

An official statement said Saturday that Mitterrand's visit was in response to an invitation from King Khaled. The King paid a one-day visit to Paris June 13 where the two leaders established a "basic identity of views" on major international issues.

King Khaled talks with President Mitterrand came one week after Israeli jet fighters destroyed a French-built nuclear research center near Baghdad. Saudi Arabia officially announced that it was prepared to foot the bill for the reconstruction of the Iraqi center.

Iraqi deputy prime minister, Tariq Aziz, meanwhile will visit Paris Wednesday for talks with French Minister for External Affairs Claude Cheysson. The talks are expected to deal with rebuilding the nuclear complex, Iraqi-French relations and developments in the Middle East.

The Paris talks by Khaled and Mitterrand covered the Lebanese crisis, the future status of the Palestine people and Jerusalem.

Official sources close to the talks privately reported that France had pledged to continue military cooperation with Saudi Arabia in accordance with agreements concluded with the government of former President Giscard d'Estaing. A \$1.2 billion agreement signed last year calls on France to develop the Kingdom's naval capability.

Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan disclosed last November that the Kingdom was considering French Mirage 4000 planes to boost Saudi Arabia's defense capabilities.

He also disclosed that studies had been completed for a naval academy, a medical center for military personnel and a military area whose site has to be chosen.

To boost Franco-Saudi cooperation the Interior Ministry is also expected to establish a French language teaching institute for security personnel. France was to provide technical assistance for the institute.

## Storm over the nodules threatens to weather away hopes on sea law

GENEVA, Aug. 15 (R) — Small black crumbly lumps worth billions of dollars, scattered over the floor of the Pacific and Indian Oceans, form the major obstacle to completing a comprehensive law of the sea.

The lumps are metal-bearing nodules and at current prices those in the Pacific could be worth between \$3,000 and \$24,000 billion. The dispute over exploitation of the seabed is dragging the Sea Law Conference toward its ninth year of negotiations. It aims to draw up the first all-round treaty regulating navigation, fishing, marine research, seabed mining and other uses of the world's oceans.

The commercially-viable undersea nodules, which contain mainly manganese but also nickel, cobalt and copper, are estimated to amount to between one and eight billion tons. The current dispute is primarily between industrialized nations which want to protect their seabed mining investments and guarantee free access to the raw material, and developing nations with land-based mining industries, which want to protect their mineral revenues by controlling seabed mining.

James Malone, U.S. representative to the 150-nation conference, is informally consulting Third World and other delegates in an effort to reopen draft articles on seabed mining, which Washington considers biased against private industry. But last week, Pakistan's Ambassador Inam ul Haque, on behalf of developing nations, said: "The whole convention would probably collapse if all delegations were allowed to reopen issues already agreed."

The first-sized nodules on the Pacific floor have already attracted major interest from eight industrial consortia from as many countries. The groups have spent at least \$200 million on exploration and research into methods of scooping the nodules to the surface and transporting them to land-based smelters. Now, said Malone, "the mining companies do not believe they could mine under the treaty as it exists."

In case this month's session of talks at the United Nations European Office here fail to produce a satisfactory treaty, the U.S. West Germany and British governments have passed their own legislation allowing companies to explore the ocean beyond national boundaries from July 1981, and start dredging from January 1988 — despite appeals from developing countries against unilateral exploration.

Japan, France, Italy, Belgium and Canada also have mining firms which have joined international consortia. The nodules, first discovered more than 100 years ago, are concentrated in a belt in the Northern Pacific and in patches around underwater volcanic mountain ranges. There is also a rich source recently discovered in the Indian Ocean, which India plans to survey and exploit with aid from West German, French and Danish firms.

A Dutch member of one consortium interested in the Pacific said recently it would take another 10 years for commercial exploitation to begin, and indicated that it was the lack of a legal framework rather than technical problems which was causing the delay. Western delegates in Geneva have said it would cost a company between \$700 and 900 million of investment before it could begin work, assuming it obtained a license from the International Seabed Authority proposed under the present draft convention.

Many conference participants see the value of the ocean minerals increasing at the beginning of the next century, when land-based deposits of the same commodities are on the wane.

Zaire and Zambia are the major land-based producers of cobalt and, with Peru and Chile, supply most of the world's copper. A U.N. report on the economic implications of mineral development, presented to the conference in 1974, already pointed out the possible adverse effects on the economies of countries which rely on land-based manganese and cobalt industries if world prices fell as a result of exploiting the nodules.

According to a recent assessment by *Newsweek* magazine, the influential Swiss newspaper, the exploitable deposits total 5.6 billion tons of easy-to-recover nodules containing mainly manganese. It also said that in the initial phase miners could obtain 1,570 million tons of manganese, 65 million tons of nickel, 56 million tons of copper and 10 million tons of cobalt. Reserves of cobalt, an important metal in the production of electric motors and jet aircraft, were 10 times greater than those on land, the paper said.

This has led some third world delegates to depict the present bargaining as a bid by industrialized countries to safeguard supplies of militarily strategic metals and avoid the potential danger of a cartel of land-based producers.

## Countering Soviet threats Reagan, aides to confer on boosting N-force

SANTA BARBARA, California, Aug. 15 (R) — President Reagan, interrupting his California holiday, will confer with his chief policy advisers next week on ways of strengthening America's nuclear forces.

He called a meeting in Los Angeles Monday to discuss his range of options in countering Soviet military power. Reagan, whose statement last week that he would produce the neutron warhead was denounced by Moscow, said Thursday that the Soviet Union had embarked on the greatest military buildup in history and that the United States accepted the challenge.

The president planned to confer with Secretary of State Alexander Haig at his ranch outside Santa Barbara Sunday and then go to Los Angeles Monday for the defense planning talks with Haig and Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger.

Officials said Weinberger planned to recommend building a new strategic bomber, a radically new aircraft to carry the MX missile system, more accurate missiles for the Trident submarine and improvements in the military communications system controlling strategic forces.

In announcing the meeting, the White House spokesman said that studies were continuing on how the United States could improve its strategic forces, following Reagan's decision to increase defense spending. But Reagan would not make final decisions until he returned to Washington Sept. 3 at the end of a month-long holiday in California and probably not until after Congress resumed its session a week later.

The spokesman said Reagan's goal was to give the United States "a margin of safety." Other officials said Reagan, who accused President Carter in the 1980 election campaign of neglecting America's strength, wanted to achieve nuclear superiority by 1990.

Reagan's announced objectives is to build up strategic forces to the point where the United States can negotiate nuclear arms limitation and reduction with the Soviet Union from a position of strength. Officials said one of the most important decisions facing the president were to decide whether to build the B-1 strategic bomber, which President Carter canceled, and to choose another aircraft for use as an airborne for the MX missile.

## U.S. air staff body faces loss of union status

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 (R) — President Reagan has won another round in his fight to prevail over the U.S. air controllers he fired last week after they went on strike illegally.

A government legal official recommended Friday that the Professional Air Traffic Controllers Organization (PATCO) should be stripped of its union status because of the strike it began Aug. 3 to back demands for more pay and benefits. As government employees, the PATCO workers were barred from striking under U.S. law, and about 12,000 of them have been dismissed. An administrative law judge with the Federal Labor Relations Authority (FLRA) John Fenton, recommended that the union should no longer be entitled to represent the controllers.

The FLRA is an independent agency which oversees activities of government employee unions, and its board must now act on the recommendation. The union has time until Sept. 14 to appeal, and PATCO President Robert Poli told a press conference he was prepared to take the issue all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Meanwhile, a spokesman of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) said Saturday trans-Atlantic air services will not be severely disrupted by a 48-hour Portuguese boycott of flights to and from the United States, a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) spokesman said Saturday.

Portugal's 300 air traffic controllers will refuse to handle American traffic from Sunday midnight in support of 12,000 striking U.S. controllers. The FAA spokesman said the boycott, which will affect the southern trans-Atlantic route and the key control center in the Azores Islands, would have "some impact and result in some delays."

"But as long as we have the North Atlantic routes open, the impact won't be that great," he said. Sympathy action by Canadian controllers earlier this week caused two days of chaos on routes between the United States and Europe by closing the vital North Atlantic control center at Gander, Newfoundland, and disrupting most of the 225 daily trans-Atlantic flights. The more southerly route carries only about three or four flights an hour to and from the United States, the FAA spokesman said.

Portugal's Air Traffic Controllers' Association originally announced that it planned a week-long boycott of U.S. flights. But it reconsidered after the International Federation of Air Controllers Associations instructed members to suspend any action pending a general meeting next Saturday.

Federal authorities in the meantime are also investigating reports of fake radio commands being given to aircraft and interference with communications between control towers and pilots.

Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis, who said there was no evidence that striking air controllers were involved, disclosed that there had been seven reports of fake instructions and 10 cases of interference with ground-to-air transmissions. All the instructions had been quickly countermanded by real controllers and in none of the cases had safety been jeopardized, he said.

"All of these incidents are being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Communications Commission and anyone responsible for these acts will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law," Lewis added. He said deliberate interference with air traffic communications was a felony that could result in a \$1,000 fine and a 10-year jail sentence. The government is staffing towers and radar centers with military personnel, non-striking controllers and supervisors who are handling about 75 percent of normal traffic.

But airline officials have estimated that the strike is costing them \$30 million a day because of cutbacks in the scheduled 14,200 flights daily.



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## Salisbury to be renamed Harare

SALISBURY, Zimbabwe, Aug. 15 (AP) — Salisbury, the name of this country's capital since whites settled here nine decades ago, will soon be changed to Harare, the name of a black tribal chief who was living here when the settlers arrived.

Salisbury Mayor Tizraigwata, in an interview published Saturday in *The Herald* newspaper, said the name change will be made after the national and city governments resolve the problem of who will pay for it. The capital was named after Lord Salisbury, the British prime minister at the time when the first British settlers arrived in the 1890s to annex the territory for Queen Victoria.

Harare was a local tribal chief when the whites pitched their tents and planted the Union Jack to signal the beginning of nine decades of white minority rule in what was called Rhodesia. That era ended when Prime Minister Robert Mugabe led a re-named Zimbabwe to independence April 17, 1980 after a British-sponsored political settlement ended a seven-year war between the white minority government and black nationalist fighters.

## Khaled receives Saleh's message

TAIF, Aug. 15 (SPA) — King Khaled Saturday received a message from North Yemen President Ali Abdullah Saleh. The message was delivered by Foreign Minister Ali Lutfi Al Thawri during a meeting attended by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard; Prince Sultan, the minister of defense and civil aviation; Dr. Rashad Pharaon, the King's personal adviser; and Dr. Muhammad Melhim, a state minister and member of the Cabinet.

The North Yemen minister arrived here Saturday from Sanaa and was received at the airport by Dr. Milhem and a representative from the Royal Protocol.

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Saud ends Brazil visit

# Close identity seen on Mideast problem

BRASILIA, Aug. 15 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia and Brazil have affirmed that a just, comprehensive and lasting peace could not be achieved in the Middle East without ending occupation of all Arab lands, including Jerusalem, and restoring the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people to self-determination and return to their homeland.

In a joint communique issued here Friday night at the end of Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal's visit to Brazil, the two countries strongly denounced the drive to change the historic features of Jerusalem. Prince Saud and his Brazilian counterpart, Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro, condemned the Israeli air attack on the Iraqi nuclear research center, and its military operations against Lebanon which resulted in the death of hundreds of civilians.

The communique expressed concern over the continued foreign intervention and occupation of Afghanistan. The two ministers reiterated the necessity of foreign troops' withdrawal from that country to enable the Afghan people to exercise the right of self-determination.

Prince Saud expressed the Kingdom's appreciation of the Brazilian government's stand in regard to the Middle East problem and the Palestinian question.

The two sides also expressed satisfaction with the understanding prevailing over their relations. The two countries agreed to further

develop these relations in the light of the technical and scientific cooperation agreement signed recently between the two countries.

Prince Saud thanked the Brazilian government for its kind gesture by granting a land plot for building an Islamic center and a mosque in the capital. He also lauded the freedom of religion prevailing in Brazil. Guerreiro praised the Kingdom's constructive role in supplying Brazil with petroleum and its efforts to stabilize oil prices for the general interest. The two countries' views were identical on the need for cooperation in the field of energy, he said.

Prince Saud paid an official four-day visit to Brazil which began Aug. 12 at the invitation of the Brazilian foreign minister. He met with President Joao Figueiredo and other senior officials. Prince Saud was decorated with the highest order in Brazil by Guerreiro.

The prince and his delegation also visited Rio De Janeiro and Sao Paulo where he held talks with officials and businessmen. Prince Saud extended an official invitation to the Brazilian foreign relations minister to visit the Kingdom. The latter accepted the invitation with the date to be fixed through diplomatic channels.

Brazil was the final leg of Prince Saud's tour of Latin America which included Venezuela and Argentina.

## SR215m allocated for city projects

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 — Crown Prince Fahd has ordered the allocation of SR215 million for the completion of a number of projects patronized by Jeddah municipality, the local press reported Saturday.

Mayor Muhammad Said Farsi told newsmen that Prince Fahd was keenly interested in the development of the modern part of Jeddah. He ordered that the street linking Al-Mahjar with Makkah road be expanded and that a pavement be constructed for it. He also agreed that the road, south of the airport,

continues with a 100 meter width. He approved SR125 million to continue the Corniche of the southern area.

Moreover, the prince earmarked SR50 million for the creation of public parks in the city and other beautification works. Prince Fahd also directed that the lakes facing Al-Humrah be deepened and that the necessary lighting and construction of side-walks be undertaken. He allocated SR40 million for that project.

## Energy conference's role stressed

NAIROBI, Aug. 15 (SPA) — Dr. Mahjoub Hasanain, adviser at the petroleum and minerals ministry, reiterated that the U.N. new and renewable energy sources conference is one of the most important meetings held during this century "because it is an international conference aimed at developing new energy sources."

In a statement at the energy conference held here, Dr. Hasanain said Saturday that the Organization of Petroleum Exporting

Countries (OPEC) members have declared their readiness to support private energy accounts through the OPEC fund to finance development and search for alternative energy sources.

Dr. Hasanain, the Kingdom's representative to the conference, added that OPEC is willing to increase its contribution to support such efforts provided that other partners also do the same.

## Khaled receives thanks, cables congratulations

TAIF, Aug. 15 (SPA) — King Khaled Saturday received a cable of thanks from UAE President Sheikh Zayed ibn Sultan Al-Nahyan in reply to a congratulatory message he sent on the fifth anniversary of his presidency. Sheikh Zayed wished King Khaled good health and happiness and glory and prosperity to the Saudi Arabian people.

Meanwhile, King Khaled sent cables of congratulation to Indian President Naram Sanjiva Reddy and South Korean President Chun Do Wan on the independence anniversary of their countries. The King wished the two leaders good health and happiness and progress and success to their peoples.

## Jeddah airport to rehearse on pilgrims arrival

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 — A rehearsal will take place at King Abdul Aziz International Airport next Tuesday for the reception of pilgrims. The new airport will face for the first time the pilgrimage rush this year in about a month's time, Okaz reported Saturday.

The Ministry of Pilgrimage and Endowments, the Information Desk, the United Agents Office, the General Car Syndicate, the Guidance Committee and Customs and the International Airports Department will take part in the test proposed by Zuhair Sindi, the airport's director general.

Such a move aims at training the officials on processing the pilgrims' passports and other requirements in the shortest possible time while coordinating their work together. Each one will know his position and the role he is called upon to play. After conducting the test, perhaps many a shortcoming could be avoided when tens of thousands of pilgrims start arriving next month.

Meanwhile, the Coordination and Follow-Up Committee, which is an offshoot of the Central Pilgrimage Committee, is holding regular meetings at the airport to prepare weekly reports and submit them to Prince Wajed, the committee's president.

In a separate development, it was announced Saturday that Saudia will use video tapes on its 747 jumbo jets, rather than the old cinema system, to entertain its passengers. The company is in contact with the Information Ministry to select light films for the entertainment of its travellers for the first time. A Saudia spokesman said that the films will be in tune with the Kingdom's Islamic and Arab traditions.

## Korea port chief arrives

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 (SPA) — Yong Ho-shang, director general of An-shen state port in Korea, arrived here Friday evening on a three day visit at the invitation of Dr. Fayed Badr, the head of the General Ports Organization. He was met at the airport by Fuad Vokhtur, director general of Jeddah Islamic Port and the staff of the Korean embassy.

## Described 'wisest'

# Taipei supports Fahd's plan

By Alan Kenney

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 — The Republic of China's ambassador to the Kingdom, Yu-chi Hsueh, Saturday said Crown Prince Fahd's proposal is the wisest formula for a peaceful solution to the Middle East problem.

Speaking to Arab News, the ambassador said his government supports the eight-point peace plan and hopes it will be carried out successfully.

"The Camp David accords don't have all the essential elements and provide only a partial settlement. Only Crown Prince Fahd's plan has a comprehensive settlement," the envoy added. "It is a prelude to a peaceful solution to the Middle East Problem," the ambassador said.

Hsueh also said that his country was very distressed about Israel's bombing of the Iraqi nuclear reactor. Calling the attack "pure aggression" he said, "they cannot use pre-emptive attack as an excuse for such action. How can a country violate sovereign air space?"

The envoy, who also is a student of international law, said this view also applies to Israel's attacks on Beirut. "What makes it sadder is that, as a result, more than 400 people were killed," he added. He said that Nationalist China is against "such kinds of action."

The Republic of China at present has proven to be a strong force in technological and economic cooperation with the Kingdom. Cooperation efforts cover a variety of

fields, ranging from agriculture, industry, medicine and science to technology.

In agriculture, the Republic of China has provided assistance in increasing rice production in the Kingdom by using special rice varieties. In addition, the country has introduced various vegetables and fruits to the Kingdom.

Taiwan's industrial participation includes a Jubail fertilizer plant that will produce 500,000 tons a year beginning in 1981.

In the medical field, more than 1,000 nationalist Chinese doctors and nurses now are working in hospitals in Jeddah and Hofuf.

In Jeddah's new General Hospital, nationalist Chinese medical experts are helping to develop an open-heart surgery department.

In science and technology, Chinese specialists are helping to cultivate fresh water fish and produce single-cell protein.

Meanwhile, Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC), told Al Medina Saturday that Prince Fahd's plan is a "unique opportunity" to settle the Middle East problem. He said that this opportunity may not occur again and again because Saudi Arabia cannot adhere to this stance for ever, without finding a response to its proposal.

Chatti added that, if this opportunity was lost, it would take recourse to other means which have been referred to on a number of occasions. In a reference to Jihad, he said that it does not mean war but a mobilization of all means and energies to reach the goal. Prince Fahd's plan, therefore, comes within the framework of mobilization, he added.

## In Western region

# Desalination training course begins

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 (SPA) — The Saline Water Conversion Corporation in the Western Region began Saturday one of its several training courses for its employees. The new course, which deals with storage, has 60 employees on its rolls.

The participants will be trained on modern administrative methods for catering. The series of organized by SWCC, aim at developing the employees' skills. Dr. Abdul Aziz Nassif, Western Region director general of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation, met Saturday with the trainees and urged them to work hard and benefit from these courses.

The corporation is organizing several technical courses for engineers working at desalination plants. The courses deal with modern technical ways to be introduced in the field of desalination within the coming few months.

The corporation has been urging nationals holding intermediate school certificates or

primary school certificates to join the course.

Trainees with intermediate schools education will receive SR1,500 monthly incentive, while those with primary school certificates will get SR1,200 per month.

In a related development, a delegation from Bahrain Electricity and Water Ministry will visit Jeddah's desalination plant Sunday for talks with the Western Region desalination plants' directors. The visiting delegation will be acquainted with SWCC's experience and inspect the corporation's projects in the region.

Dr. Nassif said Saturday that SWCC has prepared all information which would be required by the Bahraini delegation. The visit comes in the context of a program to further develop relations among the area's countries.

The Bahraini delegation has met with SWCC Governor Abdullah Al-Khalifa and discussed several topics of joint cooperation.



Ambassador Yu-chi Hsueh

## COMMENT

Al Medina

An important step which the Higher Board for Islamic Call has recently taken under the chairmanship of Prince Sultan, the minister of defense and aviation was connected with the creation of an organization for Islamic relief activity. The board asked the Muslim World League to prepare and submit a final study on the subject.

In view of MWL's experiences in the field of relief work, I think it is the most appropriate Islamic organization to be entrusted with this job. We know, there are quite a few political and religious organizations in the world doing relief work, such as the Red Cross Society and Islamic Red Crescent organizations. Although the Red Cross assumes an international character, it is a painful matter that its activities speak somewhat otherwise as it mostly concentrates on Christian and heathen societies and slows down its work among the Muslims of the world.

Consequently, it was considered a matter of great urgency to set up an international relief organization of the Islamic world to provide relief to the oppressed and the victims of catastrophes in the world, purely on human grounds and without any discrimination to race, sex or religion.

What, therefore, we aspire to see is that this Islamic relief organization be strong enough to undertake its humane job at a large scale. Let not forget that millions of Muslims are in desperate need of the activities of such an organization. This, indeed, is a commendable step and we hope that the Higher Board for Islamic Call will be successful in bringing this organization to existence, so it can play the much-needed role in providing to the suffering humanity.

## Prayer Times

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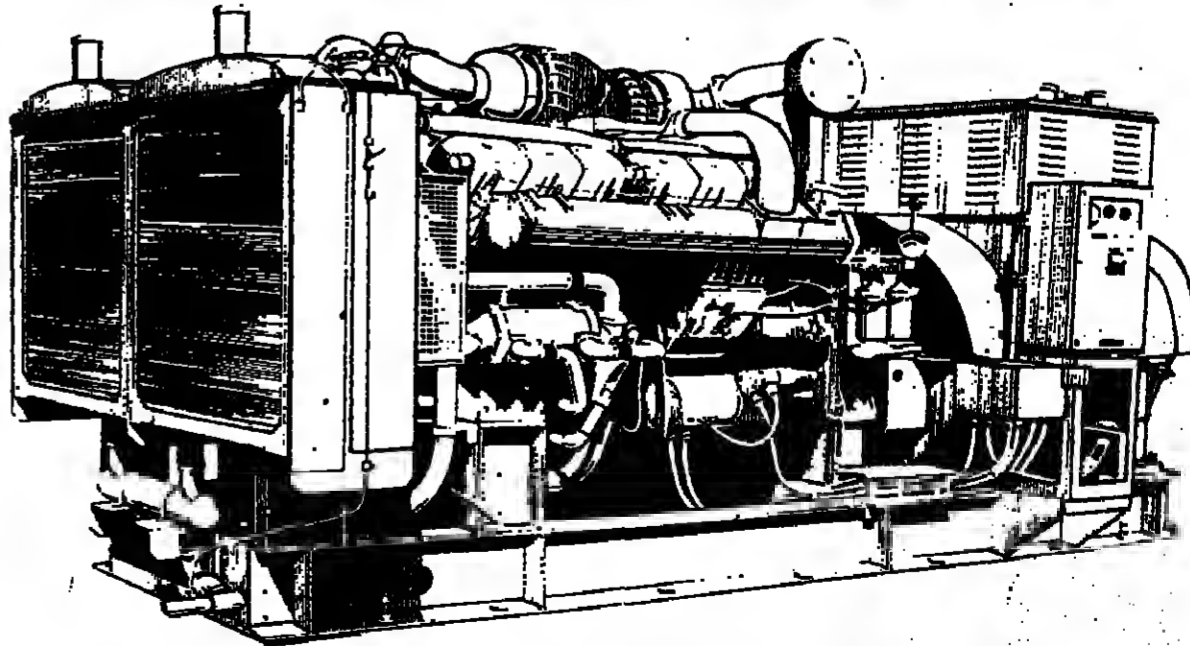
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# Lebanon to examine offers on missiles

BEIRUT, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Lebanese television denied Friday night that Lebanon has received any concrete offer of an anti-aircraft defense system, but reported that any offer would be examined, whether it came from a Communist, Western or Arab country.

The Libyan ambassador said here two days ago that Lebanon had accepted a Libyan offer to supply anti-aircraft defense but that the modalities were not yet settled. In Tel Aviv, a spokesman for Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin said earlier Friday that deployment of Libyan ground-to-air missiles in Lebanon would create an "unacceptable" situation for Israel.

But Tourism Minister Marwan Hamade, a supporter of leftist leader Walid Joumblatt, said he favored deploying radar, planes and ground-to-air rockets because Israeli air raids last July had already killed hundreds.

The official television also announced that the four-party committee, seeking to settle the Lebanese crisis will meet here Saturday at the request of Lebanese President Elias Sarkis. Observers believed that the deteriorating security situation would be one of the subjects studied by the committee, representing

Syria, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the Arab League.

Beirut's port — one of the two crossing points between the East and West of the capital — was closed Friday by sniper fire for the second day in a row.

Meanwhile, the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) does not favor deployment of Libyan anti-aircraft missiles in Lebanon as long as the Lebanese military command lacks the confidence of Lebanese nationalists, Palestinian leader Abu Jihad said here late Friday. He is second in command of Fateh and deputy commander of the Palestinian armed forces.

Abu Jihad told newsmen the PLO had demonstrated its ability to make its various member organizations respect the ceasefire in Lebanon but the Palestinians need to replace the weapons destroyed in their recent "two week war" with Israel because new Israeli offensives are likely soon.

He said PLO officials did not believe that the Reagan administration in Washington envisaged recognizing the PLO. On the contrary, the Americans are preparing to liquidate the PLO as Israel had failed to liquidate it militarily in Lebanon, he said.

## With aid from tribesmen

### Rebels beat back Soviets, Afghans

ISLAMABAD, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Afghan fighters aided by tribesmen pushed back a Soviet-Afghan offensive in eastern Afghanistan recently, Muslim rebel sources said here Friday.

The attack last week, in the Shinwar area bordering Pakistan, involved 30 Soviet tanks and armored cars and a large number of military vehicles in an operation aimed at "recapturing the Shinwar-tribe territory," the sources said.

Meeting "stiff tribal resistance," the Soviet-Afghan troops called for reinforcement and another ten tanks were brought in. Soviet helicopter gunships provided cover for the ground forces and

were later used for rescue operations, the source added.

The armed fighters were helped by the local population, preventing the troops' advance. The Soviet-Afghan forces finally had to "retreat to Jalalabad," the source said.

According to the rebels, six tanks were destroyed in the daylong battle. About 25 Afghans and Soviets including two Soviet officers, were killed in the fighting. Three fighters were reported killed in the operation while a large number of civilians were wounded in helicopter strafing, the rebels said.

## By Khomeini rivals

### Top Iranian journalist shot dead

TEHRAN, Aug. 15 (Agencies) — Youssef Daghhat, a prominent Islamic journalist and militant, was shot dead by "terrorists" in the south Iranian port city of Bandar Abbas, the daily paper *Islamic Republic* for which he worked said Saturday.

Daghhat, a leader of revolutionary guards in the city, was on way home by car Thursday when he was attacked by several people, the paper said. Daghhat was also a leading member of the Islamic Republican Party,

which dominates Iranian politics, and an official of Friday prayers at Bandar Abbas.

Three revolutionary guards were killed and eight wounded Friday in three separate attacks by government opponents, the Iranian Pars news agency reported. One of the guards was shot dead in Sari, northern Mazandaran, by a member of the Mujahedeen who arrested.

Two guards were killed and two wounded while patrolling in Oajja in the same province, the agency said, adding that the guerrillas escaped. In Iran's southern Gars province, six guards and a student were wounded when a grenade was thrown at a building housing the revolutionary guards' department.

And at Masshad, in eastern Khorassan, a hospital employee, dressed like a guard, and his companion, were wounded by gunmen on a motorcycle.

Pars also said a total of nine "secessionists" were executed in Iranian cities Friday on charges of armed rebellion, belonging to leftists underground groups and carrying firearms. It said two persons were executed in Araka, two in Zanjan, two in Nushara and three in Ramsar.

Parliament Speaker Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani told worshippers at Tehran University earlier in the day that Iran's underground leftists do not constitute a threat to the hardline fundamentalist regime.



CHEERFUL: King Hussein and Queen Noor of Jordan look cheerfully as admirers gathered at Amman International Stadium Tuesday to celebrate the 29th anniversary of the king's accession to the throne. The King, accompanied by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, arrived in Baghdad for a visit and was received by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein and senior officials at the airport. Jordan supports Iraq in its war with Iran.

## Congressional team says

### U.S. trying for Ogaden pact

MOGADISHU, Aug. 15 (R) — The chairman of the Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Africa of the U.S. House of Representatives, Howard Wolpey, said Friday the United States was trying to find a political solution to the war in the disputed Ogaden region of Ethiopia.

Wolpey who heads the congressional team, told reporters here his five-strong delegation, on a six-nation tour of Africa, was trying "to learn how the United States might be helpful to facilitate a political solution to the difficulties in the region." The delegation is due to visit one of Somalia's 33 refugee camps Saturday. It is also to meet President Siad

Barre and members of the parliamentary "people's assembly." The Ethiopian Army is fighting Somali-backed dissidents in the Ogaden region of Ethiopia.

Wolpey, a Michigan Democrat, said he hoped the visit would strengthen ties between the U.S. and Somalia. The Americans and Somali government officials would discuss American financial assistance to the country and issues involving the Horn of Africa and Somalia's refugee problem, said Wolpey. "I don't think there is any country that has been so generous in receiving refugees or has faced a more difficult refugee situation as Somalia," he said.

## Arab panel discusses Lebanon

BEIRUT, Aug. 15 (AFP) — The Arab quadripartite committee Saturday held a meeting on the Lebanese crisis at ambassador level, under the chairmanship of the Lebanese President Elias Sarkis, official Radio Beirut reported.

Saudi Arabia was represented by Ambassador Ali Shaer and Kuwait by Ambassador Abdul Hamid Busayjan, Gen. Muhammad Ghanem, commander of the Syrian troops of

the Arab Deterrent Force in Lebanon, represented Syria. The Arab League did not have a representative present, the radio station said. The meeting follows a decision taken at a ministerial-level meeting of the committee at the end of July, when it was decided that representatives of the three countries and the Arab League should try to arrange for all the parties in the Lebanese strife to get round the table on Sept. 3 in an effort to achieve national understanding.

## BRIEFS

UNITED NATIONS (R) — A senior sergeant with the Nigerian contingent in the United Nations peacekeeping force in southern Lebanon died on patrol Friday of natural causes, a U.N. spokesman said. The spokesman named the man as S. Alfa but gave no further details.

CAIRO (AP) — Salah Abdel Sabbour, a leading pioneer of what is called "modern poetry" died here Friday of a heart attack, Cairo newspapers reported Saturday. The 52-year-old poet, helped enrich the Arabic

literature by contributing over 20 books. He had worked as an Arabic language teacher, a diplomat, a journalist and chairman of "the Arabic Book" Organization.

DACCA (AP) — The Bangladesh government Friday renamed Dacca International Airport Zia International Airport in memory of late President Ziaur Rahman, assassinated last month in an army mutiny. A cabinet meeting presided over by acting President Justice Abdus Sattar decided to rename the airport in recognition of Zia's contributions to the country.

# Indians call off siege of Bangladesh enclaves

DACCA, Aug. 15 (AP) — Armed Indian nationals have ended their siege around the Bangladesh enclaves of Dahagram and Angargota, imposed last July 6, it was reported Saturday.

In a telephone interview, the deputy commissioner of the Rangpur district said emergency supplies of food, medicine and other essential commodities were being sent to the enclaves now that the siege is over. Relations between India and Bangladesh deteriorated sharply following reports of death from starvation in the enclaves because of the siege by Indian nationals. Bangladesh has lodged a protest with India over the incident.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh is preparing to send needed supplies of food and medicine to Dahagram and Angargota, a foreign office spokesman said Friday.

The government has also formally informed the Indian government of the situation in these enclaves, the spokesman said. A preliminary report indicates that the health problems facing the inhabitants of the enclaves have been "somewhat" eased, he said. However, he added that the situation still remains tense there.

A meeting between officers of the Bangladesh rifles and the Indian Border Security Force took place Thursday. "We are awaiting a full report on the situation in Dahagram and Angargota for further actions, if required," a statement issued by the rifles said. The

spokesman denied that the foreign minister's summoning of five ambassadors for an emergency meeting indicated the political situation was growing increasingly serious. "It is a routine affair," he said. "We call our ambassadors from time to time for consultations."

## Bombs hurled at homes of Dacca leaders

DACCA, Aug. 15 (AP) — Bombs were hurled from speeding cars Friday night at the residences of several prominent politicians, including that of former President Khondokar Mustaq Ahmad, where one person was slightly injured, police reported Saturday. There were no other reports of injuries.

The other targets of the bomb attacks were the residences of Ataur Rahman Khan, head of the newly-formed 18-party rightist alliance, who is expected to be a candidate in the Oct. 15 presidential elections, Shafiqul Alam Prodhan, organizer of the tiny National Democratic Party and former chief of the fanatic Islamic Jamaat Islami Party, and Prof. Golam Azam, a Pakistani citizen.

## Billy Carter severs Libyan links

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 (AP) — Billy Carter has told the U.S. Justice Department that he is no longer an agent of the Libyan government, according to documents filed with the department.

In a final statement submitted to the department's foreign agent registration unit Aug. 6, the younger brother of former President Jimmy Carter said he had terminated his activities on behalf of Libya. Nevertheless, the Justice Department has not closed its books entirely on the affair which led to special Senate and Justice Department investigations, and embarrassed President Carter's administration in the months before last year's presidential election.

John Keeney, deputy assistant attorney general in the department's criminal division, said Friday, "There is an aspect of that case which is still open." Keeney declined to discuss what was still open. On April 21, the department's top internal investigator, Michael E. Shaheen, absolved top Carter administration officials of misconduct in the Billy Carter investigation. But the results of a nine-month investigation were referred to the criminal division to decide whether to bring charges on the basis of Shaheen's conclusion that Billy Carter had lied to Justice Department investigators looking into his connections with Libya. The charge of lying

to government agents, however, is rarely filed in the absence of other criminal charges.

The Carter Administration Justice Department brought the president's younger brother into federal court in June 1980, forcing him to register as an agent of Libya. Billy Carter had arranged several trips to this country by Libyan officials, had been working on an oil deal with Libya and had received a \$220,000 loan from the regime of Muammar Qaddafi.

As a registered foreign agent, Billy Carter was required to file statements with the Justice Department every six months on his activities on behalf of Libya.

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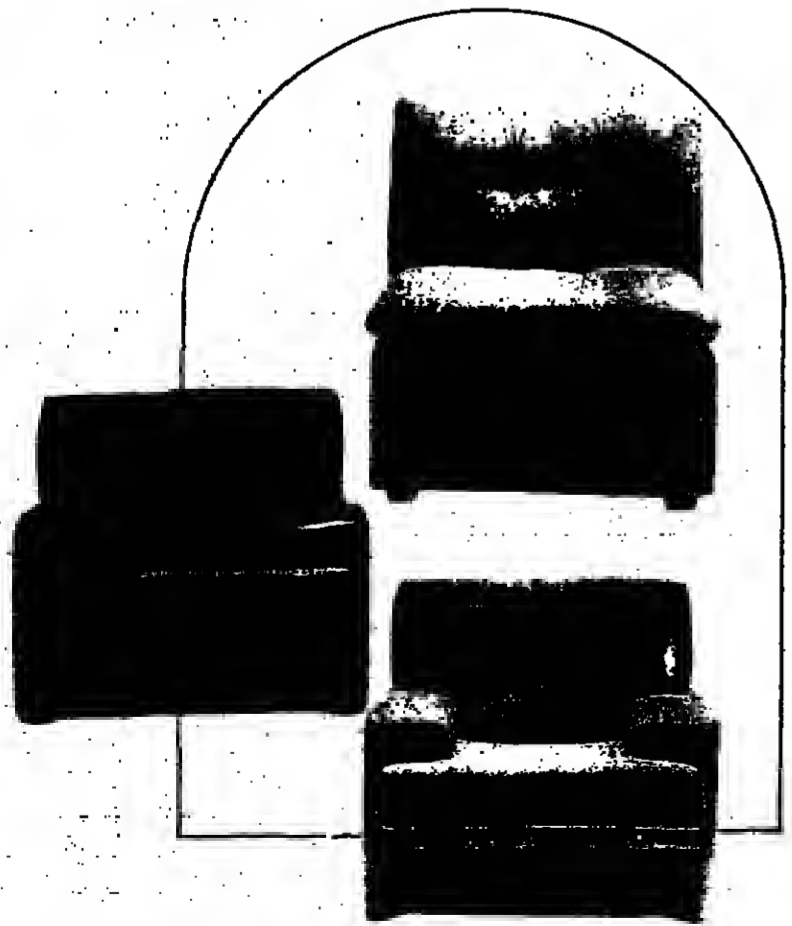
TEL AVIV, Aug. 15 (AP) — Israel's cost of living index jumped 6.1 percent in July, bringing annual inflation to 120.9 percent, the Central Bureau of Statistics announced Friday.

The hike was double last month's rate of 2.7 percent, with the highest increase registered in housing. Since January, prices have risen 50 percent. The index rose to 215.2 points calculated on a 1980 base year equals 100. The index is not seasonally adjusted. Meanwhile, the price of heavy oil, diesel fuel and kerosene rose by 18 percent Wednesday night. That increase will be reflected in next month's index.

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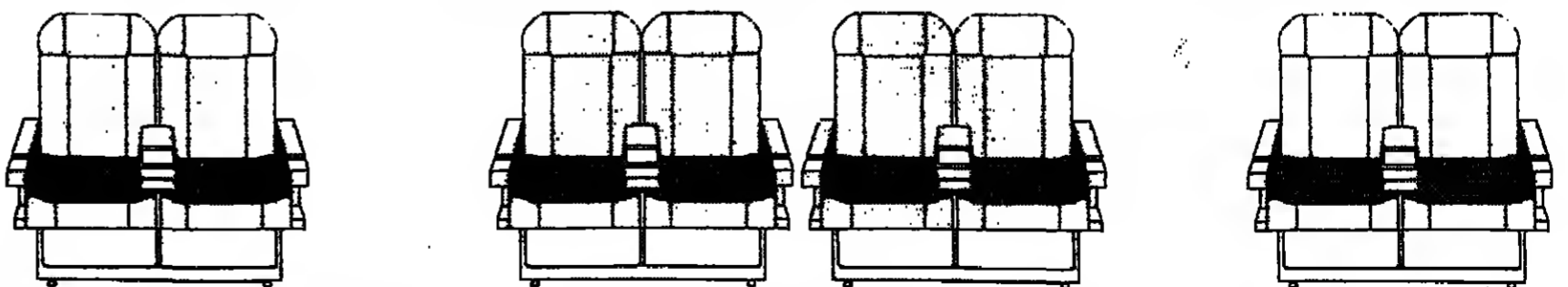
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Unification move 'gets support'

# Chun outlines 3 national goals

SEOUL, Aug. 15 (AP) — In a speech marking the 36th anniversary of Korea's liberation from Japanese colonial rule, President Chun Doo-hwan Saturday outlined three "immediate and urgent" national goals — peaceful unification of the peninsula, expedited industrialization and the building of a democracy.

Chun spoke before 2,500 persons at a national Liberation Day ceremony in downtown Seoul, recalling the time of Japanese rule as "the bitterest and darkest period in our history." Japan formally annexed Korea in 1910 and maintained harsh control until the allied victory that ended World War II.

Chun said, however, the "joy of liberation was soon dashed by a colossal national tragedy... the division of the land into the southern and northern halves." At the end of the war, Korea was divided at the 38th parallel.

"Unification is the long-standing desire of all Koreans," Chun said, "the extension of the half-liberation of Aug. 15, 1945, into full liberation." He noted that his proposal for a

summit meeting between the South and North aimed at laying a base for unification had met North Korean rejection when it was first put forth Jan. 12 and later when it was repeated June 5.

Chun said the right path to unification "can only be a peaceful one, but in their delusion, the North Korean Communists are willing to risk wholesale destruction of their fellow countrymen in the name of a heretic foreign ideology."

The fundamental reason for what he called North Korea's negativism "is that it is exceedingly difficult for them to open up their closed society, which has been completely isolated from the outside world for a full 36 years," Chun said.

He added that both domestic and international support for the South Korean proposals is growing and said, "North Korea will not be able to turn a deaf ear to world opinion forever." The 50-year-old president said that along with peaceful unification efforts South Korea must work harder to speed industrialization.

"This is because greater economic might derived from further industrialization is the most effective guarantee of national security and popular well-being," he said.

Chun, a former army general who came to power in the turbulence that followed the October 1979 assassination of President Park Chung-hee, said the Korean people "have been yearning to see genuine democracy blossom."

"But still we remained in the grip of a vicious circle," he said. "It is deplorable that democracy has not yet flowered, even though so many years have passed. The most important reason for that frustration was the blocking of peaceful changes of government."

Chun was inaugurated March 3 for a seven-year term under a new constitution that states a president can serve only one term, and he has said many times that the provision will be carried out. He repeated that pledge Saturday, saying "we must solemnly translate that provision into reality and devote ourselves to opening up a new horizon of democratic development."

### From Pinocchio

## Little old man awaits letter

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 15 (AP) — Postal workers in the mining town of Orkney are on alert for a letter from Pinocchio to one of his biggest fans — Franis Geringer, an 8-year-old boy with a disease that makes him look like a little old man.

Franis is bald and has wrinkled hands and feet because of the disease, which is aging him 10 times faster than normal. Doctors say he is likely to die within the next eight years.

He has been keeping watch on the mailbox since Wednesday when the characters department at Disneyland in Anaheim, California, announced the long-nosed storybook character had written to him. Franis's excitement about the letter is only a prelude to what may take place before the end of the year.

American and British readers have swamped the family with phone calls and there have been offers of gifts and contributions since the Associated Press carried a story about his struggle with the disease, progeria, and his dream of seeing Pinocchio.

attention to him," said his father, then added quietly, "they're not passing remarks...you know."

The Geringers are excited about the possibility of visiting the United States. "I wish you could see him," said Geringer, who works in the Vaul Reef's gold mine in Orkney. "He can't wait."

Since mail from overseas sometimes takes up two weeks, none of the promised letters have been received yet. Geringer said the post office had promised to let him know as soon as the letter from Pinocchio arrives.

"They have already organized so the whole staff will bring the letter to Franis, instead of just the postman," he said. Franis has adored the storybook ex-puppet who became a boy since a cousin gave him a Pinocchio doll when he was five months old.

The boy suffers no limitations in his daily activities, despite his emaciated body. He is three feet, eight inches (1.1 m) tall and weighs 40 pounds (18 kgs). Franis does not attend school, however, to avoid teasing by other children.

Geringer, 37, said the family is talking about making the trip to the United States in December if they can complete all the arrangements, including time off from school for Franis's 10-year-old brother, Paul, and time off from work for himself.

Shirley Miller, a spokeswoman for the Sunshine Foundation in Philadelphia, said the group has set aside money to fly Franis and his family to Disneyland for one week.

## Japan's dead remembered

TOKYO, Aug. 15 (R) — Japan Saturday marked the 36th anniversary of its surrender at the end of World War II with services, anti-war demonstrations and a political controversy over a shrine dedicated to war dead.

Emperor Hirohito, who announced the unconditional surrender in 1945, told a government-sponsored memorial service that his heart still held for the 3.1 million dead soldiers and civilians.

Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki, who later paid a controversial visit to the Yasukuni war memorial shrine near the emperor's palace, told the 6,600 persons at the service that Japan would continue to strive for world peace. During the service, several hundred people staged peaceful demonstrations in Tokyo against what they regarded as government moves to alter Japan's war-renouncing constitution and revive militarism, police said.

Suzuki and all but two of his 21-member cabinet visited the Yasukuni shrine to pray for the war dead, including executed wartime leader Hideki Tojo, despite protests from leftists and other religious groups that action glorified war.

Religious, cultural and labor groups asserted after Suzuki and 18 cabinet ministers visited the shrine last year that they had violated the constitution, which separated politics and religion. Suzuki said again this year that he was making the visit as a private citizen, although he added "prime minister" when he signed the visitors' book.



GATE HOUSE: This old gate tower in the medieval town wall in Nuremberg, West Germany, has been converted into a youth house for a 76-year-old pensioner. Another converted medieval gate houses a small organization.

## Arms buildup destabilizing region, Indira says

NEW DELHI, Aug. 15 (Agencies) — India Saturday celebrated the 34th anniversary of its freedom from British rule, as Prime Minister Indira Gandhi issued a new warning that an arms buildup by the superpowers was destabilizing the region. Mrs. Gandhi unfurled the national tricolor in the Indian capital while governors and chief ministers (heads of administration) attended similar ceremonies in the 22 state capitals.

Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency released greeting messages from Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, Afghan President Babrak Karmal and Pakistani President Gen. Muhammad Zia ul-Haq.

Brezhnev in his message expressed confidence that Indo-Soviet friendship and cooperation would continue to develop and strengthen. Karmal voiced hopes that India and Afghanistan would cooperate to maintain peace and security in the region. Thirty-four years ago Saturday, Britain formally transferred power to India, and Mrs. Gandhi's late father, Jawaharlal Nehru, became the first prime minister.

In her address Saturday, from the ramparts of Delhi's Red Fort, built by the Emperor Shahjehan in the mid-17th century, Mrs. Gandhi urged the nation to remain alert in view of the induction of sophisticated arms into the region. "All around us weapons are being piled up," she said. "The region is being destabilized, and we should be alert and awake."

Alluding clearly to Washington's decision to manufacture neutron bombs, Mrs. Gandhi said while a part of the world was reeling under the impact of poverty, superpowers were using their money and energies to build weapons to kill.

She appealed to world leaders to cooperate in creating a climate for peaceful co-existence, harmony and protection of mankind. "We do not want to fight wars, but in the past we were attacked by our neighbor," the prime minister said.

While the country was celebrating the Independence Day, a bomb exploded on a railway line at Pandu in India's northeastern state of Assam Saturday. The track was damaged but no casualties were reported in the explosion. It was the only incident during a strike, called by leaders of a 22-month-old agitation against foreign immigrants.

The strike went ahead despite an official announcement Friday night that the Indian government had invoked new anti-strike powers to ban stoppages in the oil-producing state for six months. The 24-hour stoppage, which began Friday, was also staged in protest against the new anti-strike measures.

The Press Trust of India reported that armed police pickets had been posted and police patrols increased in Assam. More than 190 persons have died in the drawn-out agitation in the state, aimed mainly against illegal immigrants from neighboring Bangladesh.

## Greenpeace boat protests N-center

CHERBOURG, Northwestern France, Aug. 15 (AFP) — A boat belonging to Greenpeace, an international ecological movement, is preparing for a Monday docking here to become the latest of a wave of protesters against a nearby nuclear waste reprocessing center.

The 50-meter *Sirois* anchored three kms off this port city Thursday, and was greeted by 1,000 opponents of the La Hague Reprocessing Center, the largest of its kind in the world. The protesters demonstrated against the French Socialist government's decision to pursue development of a La Hague, while the boat remained outside of the harbor docking area.

Since its arrival, the boat's captain, Erik Gavers, has sent only three men in its 12-member crew to shore to hold a news conference. But authorities still saw the potential for an act of protest, if only because of past experience with Greenpeace. On Feb. 14, 1980, French sailors boarded the Greenpeace-owned *Rainbow Warrior* after a spectacular chase by two navy patrol boats. The *Rainbow Warrior* had arrived 15 days earlier, and had tried to prevent a ship from unloading 480 tons of nuclear waste from Japan.

No deliveries have been made since Aug. 4, when police protected transporters of 300 tons of Japanese waste from angry ecologists led by former French presidential candidate Brice Lalonde, who stage a sit-in on the docks. No shipments are to arrive for the next few months, since French President Francois Mitterrand has pledged not to allow any until after a parliamentary debate on La Hague.

Meanwhile, ecologist and union protests have been trying to mobilize public opinion against La Hague, and Greenpeace was called upon as part of that effort.

### BRIEFS

HAMBURG, West Germany (AFP) — Six persons died and 15 were seriously injured Friday when a construction crane hit the "skylab" ride at Hamburg's Sommerdom Amusement Park, sending fair-goers plummeting 15 meters to the ground. "It was a horrible sight," one eyewitness said. "The dead and the injured looked like broken dolls."

PEKING, (AFP) — Malian President Moussa Traore will next Thursday begin his first visit to China in eight years, the New China News Agency Saturday reported. No other details of the visit were released. The two countries established diplomatic relations in 1960.

PITTSBURGH, (AP) — Two men were indicted Friday by a grand jury after prosecutors cracked what they called a "major international drug case" involving morphine smuggling from Afghanistan and India. Authorities said the defendants hid the high-grade drug in body cavities to import it into the United States. The amount of drugs or their value was not disclosed. U.S. Attorney J. Alan Johnson said Charles Wallace Nolan Jr. of New Castle, Pennsylvania, and Mohan Singh of Varanasi, India, were charged in the seven-count indictment.

ACCRA, Ghana (AFP) — A creature that was half-human, half-goat, has been born dead here, a local veterinary service reported Saturday. The creature, brought to the veterinary laboratory Wednesday, had a human face, goat's ears and four legs, the service said. The animal, which conjured up images of the satyr from Greek mythology, was being kept as a lab specimen.

ROME, (AFP) — Kidnapped Rome businessman Cesare Menasci, 32, has been freed and admitted to a clinic here after being held 12 weeks, police said Saturday. Doctors were treating him for injuries received at the time of his capture May 22. His release Friday night still leaves two Rome people in the hands of kidnapers.

## Gambian leader held in coup plot

BANJUL, Gambia, Aug. 15 (R) — Gambian opposition leader Sheriff Diba has been arrested in connection with a coup attempt here July 30 and is likely to be charged with treason, Attorney General Muhammad Lamin Sabo told parliament Friday. Diba, whose National Convention Party holds five of Gambia's 34 parliamentary seats, was taken in for questioning shortly after an armed group tried to overthrow President Dawda Jawara.

President Jawara's senior wife, Lady Thilal N'Diaye, told reporters that leftist rebels seized her soon after the coup and took her to the house of Diba, a former vice president. The coup attempt was put down by Senegalese troops called into Gambia by President Jawara.

The attorney general said a second member of the National Convention Party, Gibou Jagne, member of parliament for Serekunda West, had also been arrested in connection with the coup.

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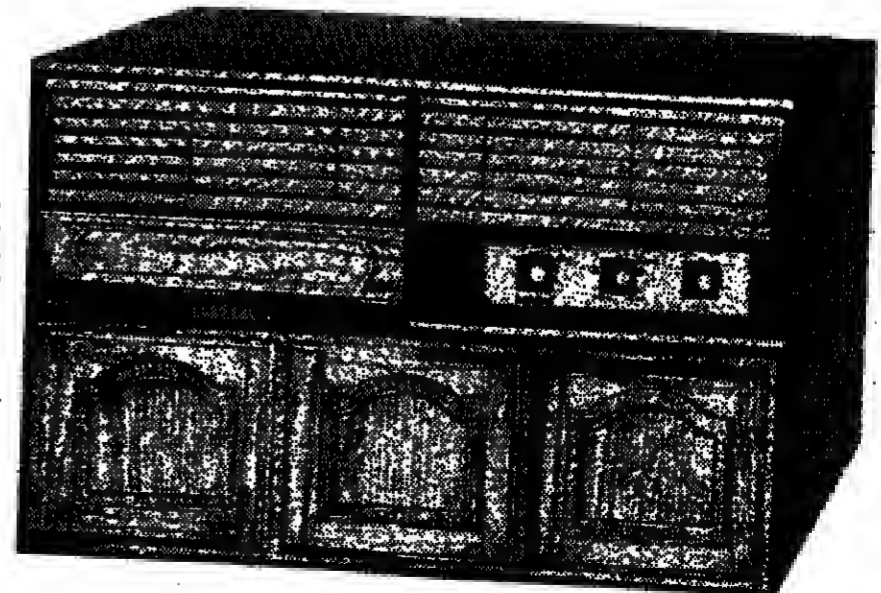


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Unified oil price

Nigeria backs Yamani proposal

LAGOS, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Nigerian officials have indicated here they favor unification of crude oil prices as proposed Friday by Saudi Arabia's Oil Minister, Ahmed Zaki Yamani.

At a press conference on the economic situation of Africa's leading oil producer, Emmanuel Edozien said that "unification of prices will take care of the glut in the world oil market. He is President Shehu Shagari's economic adviser."

Prof. Edozien indicated that Nigeria might raise the price of its oil, now sold at \$40 a barrel. "While we may not attain the pre-1973 level of production and prices, and, therefore, revenue, we will have enough revenue to pursue our policy of catering to the basic needs of our people."

In answer to opposition charges that the oil surplus was hurting Nigeria's economy and that the government was hiding the gravity of the situation, Prof. Edozien said: "The economic situation of the country is not critical." He recalled that the 1981 budget counted on producing 17 million barrels of petroleum a day and selling it at \$36 a barrel.

Statistics show average daily production of 56 million barrels this year, of which only 40,000 are reportedly consumed inside Nigeria. Observers calculated from this that a government's shortfall in export revenue July 31 was only \$200 million. This seemed to contradict estimates in financial circles here that the shortfall since Jan. 1 was \$1 billion.

A less optimistic view was presented at the press conference by the president's budget adviser, chief T.A. Afingayev. He estimated a possible loss in revenue this year at 30 percent of the budget, namely \$6.4 billion. Prof. Edozien commented that would be a case only if the world oil glut continued. President Shagari's oil adviser, El Hadj Abaya Dikko, confirmed that Nigeria produced only 40 percent as much oil in July — 30,000 barrels a day — as at the beginning of the year.

Asked about the possibility of a price increase, he declined to comment, explaining it was a matter to be decided next week at a meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in Geneva. Nigeria would make no decision outside of OPEC, Yabaya Dikko said.

Meanwhile, Nigeria's official news agency reported that two big oil fields have been discovered in the Niger River delta by the American Mobil Oil Company and the Italian Agip. Mobil's find amounted to billions of barrels.

Kuwait orders more Boeings

WASHINGTON, Aug. 15 — Kuwait Airways has placed orders with the Boeing Company for another 747 Combi and an additional 727 Trijet with a combined value of about \$85 million, according to a press release issued by the airline in Kuwait. The 727 is scheduled for delivery in December 1981. Kuwait's new 727 will be fitted out to carry 42 passengers, 16 in first class and 126 in tourist. The airways, in addition to its fleet of 47s and three 727s, also operates Boeing 707s and 737.

lions of barrels, Lawrence Amu, new head of the Nigerian National Petroleum Company (NNPC), was quoted as saying in Warri at the fifth annual symposium of the Society of Petroleum Engineers.

In Caracas, Venezuelan Energy Minister Humberto Calderon Berti said Friday he will push for a unified oil pricing system at the Aug. 19 extraordinary OPEC meeting in Geneva and will reject any proposal for a reference price under Venezuela's \$36 per barrel benchmark.

"If the other countries are willing to price petroleum at \$36 per barrel, we will naturally be in agreement, but if the idea is to set a unified price at some other level, Venezuela from the outset is not in agreement," Calderon Berti said, according to the official state news agency, Venpres. The energy minister also reiterated his support for a pricing formula linked to world inflation rates and monetary fluctuations.

Calderon Berti said the main problem now facing OPEC is not production but prices. He said Venezuela has no trouble selling its oil at a \$36 reference price and attributed steady sales partly to the country's decision to stay out of the spot market even when it turned a quick profit.

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Wall Street

Merger rumor mill hums with activity

NEW YORK, Aug. 15 (AP) — When a Wall Street tipster gives you that knowing look these days, chances are good he's about to tell you a takeover story.

While the stock and bond markets have struggled through a generally listless summer, merger mania has provided just about the only fast action around in the financial community. The three-way battle for Conoco Inc., eventually won by Du Pont, stayed in the headlines for weeks, drawing notice on the front page and the editorial page as well as the business section.

A glance at just about any day's most active list shows the shares of a wide variety of companies rising on merger rumors, or falling back when those rumors are denied. If Conoco is such a plum, the speculation runs, then why not Cities Service, or Marathon Oil, or Pennzoil? To date, no corporate buyers have stepped up to bid for any of those concerns. But in the past week heavy trading persisted in their stocks, testifying that the rumor mill was still humming with activity. Oil and other natural-resource stocks have been the primary subjects of attention, but by no means the only ones.

The takeovers of Bache group by Prudential, Shearson Loeb Rhoades by American Express, and Salomon Brothers by Philbro, have stirred expectations of more mergers to come in the securities industry as well.

Thus, periodic spates of activity in the stocks of such other investment houses as E.F. Hutton and Dean Witter Reynolds. Without such developments, there wouldn't be much of anything to stir up interest among investors. In the past weeks, the Dow Jones average of 30 industrials remained stuck in the mid-900s, closing with a net loss of 5.61 points to 936.93.

The New York stock exchange composite index rose .42 to 77.00. Thanks in large part to activity in energy issues, the American stock exchange market value index climbed 8.57 to 378.09 and hit a record high on Thursday. Big Board volume averaged 45.93 million shares a day, against 44.77 million the week before.

Though it may seem to be a new phenomenon, merger mania in fact dates back many years. The Value Line Investment Survey, in a study of the 1,000 or so companies it followed 20 years ago, found that no less than 375 had since been taken over.

More than 50 percent of those mergers occurred in 1967 and 1968, when the game

was spurred by high price-earnings ratios. A conglomerate whose shares traded at 30 times earnings could buy a company with a P-E of 15 for stock and immediately improve its reported earnings per share, thus showing "growth".

Today, Value Line analysts said, the impulse is dictated by the reverse — low price-earnings ratios for many prospective takeover targets. "It is cheaper to buy an existing business than to build it from scratch at today's prices," the investment advisory service observed. "In many cases, market prices of common stocks are probably well below replacement book value."

Takeovers are generally a boon to the business of Wall Street, spurring stock-trading

Dollar may trigger era of currency stability

FRANKFURT, Aug. 15 (R) — The recent volatile behavior of the dollar on foreign exchange markets may yet sow the seeds for a new era of currency stability, West German bankers say.

The dollar's seemingly unstoppable rise this year against other currencies is mainly attributed to high U.S. interest rates, a vital component in the Reagan administration's policy of bringing down inflation.

Lower inflation should in turn allow the U.S. to drop interest rates, making the dollar a less attractive haven for investors and taking pressure off exchange markets, the bankers say. Some economists also believe the U.S. could begin to provide the rest of the world with the stable economic center it needs if President Reagan's tight monetary policies are successful.

Many bankers say foreign exchange markets have grown more volatile this year than at any time since an international system of fixed exchange rates collapsed in 1971.

Seldom if ever before has the exchange rate between the dollar and the West German mark changed by four percent in just two days, as it did at the beginning of this week. Far from gradually adapting to the freely floating currencies that were foisted on the world 10 years ago, markets have become even less certain with the passage of time.

West Germany has borne a large part of the burden of President Nixon's decision on Aug. 15, 1971, to suspend the convertibility of the dollar into gold, the bankers said. That decision effectively broke up the Bretton Woods arrangements which had provided fixed exchange rates in the period after World War II. The arrangements, by allowing convertibility between the dollar and gold, made the U.S. currency the lynchpin of the international monetary system.

Since 1971, the U.S. currency has floated freely other currencies on the foreign exchange markets. The demise of the Bretton Woods system coupled with large oil price increases, forced the mark into the role of a reserve currency against West German wishes, the bankers said.

As a reserve currency, the mark can be used by central banks to meet their financial commitments abroad. The reserve role of the mark has tended to exaggerate capital movements between the two currencies and, therefore, helped make the old system of keeping parities in line — central bank intervention — almost unworkable.

A central bank can seek to maintain its currency at a given parity level by buying or selling massively on the foreign exchange market. But the degree to which capital flows have expanded, especially between the dollar and the mark, makes such central bank interventions difficult to operate.

"One cannot compensate for such capital movements by intervention without bringing domestic monetary policy into turmoil," a senior Bundesbank official said.

Some economists say the floating dollar,

Poland meat cuts to stay

WARSAW, Aug. 15 (AFP) — The government has decided to maintain the reduced meat ration until the end of September, the official Polish news agency PAP has reported.

The independent trade union federation Solidarity assented two days ago to the reduced ration this month provided it was compensated for by increased meat deliveries in September and October.

But the internal trade ministry underscored that the September reduction was inevitable because of the continued decrease in state meat purchases from farmers. The government was resorting to importing meat to avoid reducing the ration next month.

Riyal rates maintain strength

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Aug. 15 — The American currency closed stronger on the New York markets Friday night. The immediate cause was the announcement of a bigger than expected rise in the American money supply figures — a rise of \$5.1 billion. The immediate effect was to bring some stability to the dollar interest market which had been wavering for the past few days in anticipation of the release of the money supply figures.

Locally Saturday, riyal interest rates continued to remain firm for the eighth consecutive day with the one-month JIBOR rate at 19 1/2 percent. Some active dealing was reported in both short-term riyal deposits as well as on the local exchange markets.

The release of the money supply figures in New York was greeted by relief in some quarters who had been nervous about the dollar's "Yo — Yo" movements on the exchange markets. The size of the rise in the M1B to \$5.1 billion was larger than the anticipated \$2 — 3 billion (Though no one could figure out why \$2 — 3 billion was chosen) and as such financial commentators were once again predicting a firming of U.S. dollar interest rates for the coming week at least. The "Fed" had also signalled to the market, just before the release of the money supply figures, that it was not allowing its prime "Fed" rate to fall as fast as some institutions were desiring. The latest money supply figures might very well convince those in the American administration that

the time to bring down American interest rate levels was not just yet right.

The German mark closed sharply down on the New York Friday bourses to reach levels on 2.5415 compared to 2.4610 Wednesday. This wipes out most gains for the mark and augers another stormy week for the German currency. The British pound was little changed at 1.7920, but the Swiss franc fell back to 2.1995. Meanwhile, the French franc stabilized at 6.09 after some rather hefty rises in French interest rates that has taken French franc deposit rates past the 30 percent level for the one-month compared to the dollar's 18 1/16 — 18 13/16 percent. The Japanese yen also fell sharply back to 234.00 levels in New York after seemingly stabilizing at 229/230 levels in the past few days.

In the local markets, the riyal continued to be quoted at the premium over the dollar, especially in the short dates with one-month JIBOR bid-offers at 19-19 1/2 percent. The week-fixed still came and was in demand at 21 — 22 percent, but long tenors such as one-year rates eased off slightly. The one-year rate is now at 16 — 16 1/2 percent and one is now noticing an increasingly wide gap between short-term and long-term riyal deposit rates morning in opposite directions — the "shorts" rising, the "longs" falling. On the local exchange markets, some fairly active dealing took place initially which drove the spot riyal/dollar rate from 3.42 10 — 20 to 3.42 30 — 40 by afternoon close: Dealers expect the spot and riyal deposit rates to remain unchanged over Sunday.

U.S. demands bog sea talks

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Ultra-stiff American demands at the conference on the law of the sea, now in its second week here, have driven the so-called "Group of 77" countries to seek a concerted counter-response.

The Americans Wednesday were able to have a semi-official contact group set up to discuss their objections to the draft convention worked out at earlier sessions. They promptly followed through by putting forward further demands whose toughness was said to have surprised many of the Group of 77.

Regardless of concessions already made during the Carter administration and even during the previous Nixon administration, the United States now returned to the positions it originally adopted back at the start of the talks in Caracas eight years ago.

U.S. representative James Malone set out the eight stipulations that would have to be respected in exchange for American ratification of clauses in the convention relating to tapping natural resources on the bed of the world's oceans.

Zimbabwe to sever oil-import link with South Africa

December of a 288-km (180 mile) pipeline from the Mozambican port of Beira to the Feruka oil refinery at Umtali, eastern Zimbabwe.

At present, despite government attempts to reduce Zimbabwe's economic dependence on South Africa, about 50 percent of oil imports are transported by rail through South Africa.

Imports of refined products from South Africa cost more than \$200 million last year. Musson, whose consortium organizes the supply of oil to Zimbabwe under government license, said the reasons for the switch to Mozambique were economic and logistical

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## Chopping wood at Camp David 'is cheaper'

By William Scoobie

SANTA BARBARA — For what remains of this summer, the government of the United States will be directed from a two-bedroom log chalet on a remote Californian mountaintop. A homesick Ronald Reagan is back at his beloved Rancho del Cielo, ranch of the skies, above the wealthy enclave of Santa Barbara.

It will be the longest presidential absence from Washington since the Eisenhower era. His triumphant \$35-billion assault on the Federal budget behind him, the 70-year old president, accompanied on Air Force One by Nancy Reagan, and followed by some 20 White House aides, has returned to bome ground for a month-long vacation to "renew his energies at the fount," as one adviser put it.

But home on the range — his \$1.6-million spread overlooking the blue, oil-rigged Pacific — is not what it used to be. Last February, when the secret service began planning elaborate security systems at the 688-acre ranch, Reagan threatened to "stand there with a shotgun and say No Changes".

The March 30 assassination attempt changed his mind. More than a million dollars has been spent on the latest in security gear and sophisticated equipment for the new White House West.

Meanwhile, the natives are restless. Reagan is the first Los Angeles resident to occupy the oval Office, but far from benefiting his home town, that has caused the demise of several desperately needed transport and public programs. Subway, freeway and new national park plans have been scrapped at the behest of Budget Director David Stockman and Interior Secretary James Watt. Now, Governor Jerry Brown is leading a fierce legal fight to block the administration's scheme to open up 80 million offshore acres of the Pacific to yet more oil drilling.

Many Californians are thus demanding that Reagan, a multi-millionaire, practise the austerity he preaches: let him stay in Washington, or pay his own way. Each round trip on Air Force One costs around \$50,000. This is the Reagans' fourth since his election eight months ago.

For this vacation, scheduled to end sometime in September, six new buildings have gone up on the ranch to accommodate White House aides, Pentagon brass and the President's personal physician. People and papers will be shuttled daily from the new 'copter pad to nearby point Mugu naval air base, where a second government jet waits for regular trips to the capital.

"For the taxpayers sake, let him use Camp David when he feels the urge to chop wood," says a Reagan neighbor in the golden Santa Ynez mountains, where millionaire landowners include Jane Fonda and actor John Travolta.

"People are angry," says Lu Hass of Pacific Palisades, where the Reagans' former home is offered for sale at \$1.9 million. "The guy's calling for sacrifices from the poor, slashing public programs and cutting his own team's Federal travel budget. But he flies here on a \$5,000-an-hour plane to ride horses on his tax-baven ranch." (Reagan paid \$907 in property taxes on his ranch in 1980; bad he not used tax loopholes, state appraisers say, his bill would have been \$42,000).

The final bill for security work at Rancho del Cielo is not yet in. While it won't approach the \$17 million Nixon spent on his San Clemente and Key Biscayne retreats, it will be considerable.

At the ranch, bought in 1974 for \$526,000 and now worth three times that sum, Reagan will indulge his passion for clearing brush and digging post holes. In the five-room main house, crammed with Western and movie memorabilia, Mrs. Reagan passes the time chatting on the telephone with friends.

On this official 'working holiday', White House Chief of Staff Ed Meese, America's 'deputy president', will be flying in and out with security reports. Reagan will meditate the pros and cons of his next big military decision — whether to go ahead with the B1 bomber, the MX missile, or both. He plans at least one trip to Los Angeles for meetings with Cabinet and National Security Council members, who will be flown in from Washington.

The Reagans' immediate neighbors appear resigned to the influx of men and machines guarding the president, but some are edgy as the annual fire season approaches: "The whole area is a tinderbox of dry brush," says one rancher. "We're afraid some nut wanting to get at Reagan might start a blaze."

White House aides are defensive about the President's frequent home-comings. "Camp David is not his kind of place," says Director of Congressional Relations Max Friedersdorf. "There's nothing but woods to hike in. The president needs air, broad vistas, horses running around. The ranch restores his vitality. The American people don't begrudge him that."

Reagan himself clearly has no plans to cut down on his ranch time. "We'll be seeing you again on a regular basis," he told well-wishers on his last visit. "Nancy and I have been very homesick." (ONS)



## Revolt threatens Thatcher's government

By Robert Little  
London Bureau

Not since the late Alec Guinness, Arthur Guinness and Harold Wilson resigned from Clement (later Lord) Attlee's 1949 Labor government has a British prime minister's cabinet been so threatened with collapse as Mrs. Margaret Thatcher's present administration is over economic policy.

The 1950 resignations of the 'Benamite Revolt' over the introduction of health charges brought about the downfall of Attlee's government which at the 1951 general election put the Tories into power for 13 years.

Last week's speeches by Lord (Peter) Thorneycroft, Conservative Party chairman, and Francis Pym, leader and co-ordinator of Mrs. Thatcher's policy programs in the House of Commons, in which they raise serious doubts about the wisdom of present economic policy, has increased to six the members of the prime minister's inner cabinet circle who have expressed disapproval with her and Chancellor Sir Geoffrey Howe's monetarist ideas.

As Britain's jobless approach a record 3 million and industrial output plummets into an ever deeper decline, the complaint being made is that, with the support of Mrs. T., Sir Geoffrey is showing a stubborn reluctance to face the reality that his policy has failed. In the words of a prominent industrialist last week, after a meeting of the National Economic Development Council, present government policy was described as "an

unmitigated disaster."

Lord Thorneycroft and Pym both made public statements which called into question their continued adherence to the government's present strategy. Pym warned his parliamentary colleagues that the British people would not put up for much longer with the present calamitous situation if they could be given no real assurance that their sacrifices were worthwhile.

Lord Thorneycroft expressed the view, in direct contradiction of the chancellor, that few of his friends and colleagues in the City of London or the Conservative Party believe that there is any sign of present fiscal policies bringing an early recovery from the slump.

Mrs. Thatcher, who is at present on an eight-day holiday in the west of England, will now face her first real major test since taking over the premiership when she returns to Downing Street next week. Amidst rumors of an imminent reshuffle of her cabinet colleagues, Thatcher-watchers are speculating wildly whether she will have the courage to order a change of course or seek recourse by axing her dissident associates.

Lord Thorneycroft would present no problem in any reshuffle. At 70 he holds his position as chairman of the Conservative Party at the gift of the prime minister in her capacity as leader of the Conservative Party. She appointed him three years ago largely on the strength of his record, after he resigned as chancellor of the exchequer from Harold Macmillan's government over the rising level of public spending.

But Mrs. Thatcher would have a much more

difficult task in dealing with Pym, even though it is becoming increasingly apparent that she now believes he has ambitions for her job. Pym has a large broad-based following in the party and particularly within the ranks of its parliamentary Conservative colleagues. It would be dangerous to try to remove him from his present post as leader of the House of Commons.

Though Mrs. Thatcher's present problems can bring little if any consolation to leader of the opposition, Michael Foot, and his parliamentary Labor Party. A public opinion poll published last week forecast that the Liberal-Social Democratic Party alliance would sweep the country if there were a general election tomorrow.

The poll gives the alliance 43 percent of votes, pushing Labor into second place with a mere 29 percent. The Tories, as a result of their disastrous performance would be third, with a lowly 25 percent of the votes.

Whether the Liberal-Social Democratic alliance under the joint leadership (would Britain have two prime ministers I wonder?) of David Steel, with no previous experience of government, and Roy Jenkins, Home Secretary and president of the European Commission, would be any improvement on Mrs. Thatcher's lot is very problematical.

But for the 3 million unemployed in Britain at the present almost any change in the government at Westminster must promise to be a change for the better.

## ASEAN-Peking differences remain

By Francis Daniel

SINGAPORE — China's long-term aims in south-east Asia remain under a cloud of suspicion despite its latest diplomatic bid to cement relations with the non-Communist nations in the region. Chinese Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang, who made an official visit to the Philippines, Malaysia and Singapore in the last nine days found himself unable to stem strong criticism of China's continuing support for Communist insurgents in the area.

Despite his expressions of friendship and goodwill Zhao was apparently unable to convince his hosts that China could develop an enduring relationship with them while maintaining its fraternal ties with the outlawed Communist parties in their countries.

The Chinese leader's visit to the three countries — all members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) — was aimed at reassuring their governments of China's intentions and stiffen their resolve to rid Kampuchea of Soviet-backed Vietnamese forces.

Although Zhao claimed his trip yielded positive results, ASEAN officials reported significant differences remained between ASEAN and Peking on the question of Communist insurgencies in the region and an eventual Kampuchean political settlement.

But differences over Kampuchea were not as crucial as Chinese support for Communist insurgencies in ASEAN, the officials said.

After a non-controversial three-day visit to Manila where trade was the main focus, Zhao was told quite clearly in Malaysia and Singapore that Peking should give up any hope of Communist parties gaining control of ASEAN countries.

Moreover, Peking's attempt to distinguish its party-to-party support for the Marxist insurgents from government-to-government relations was not acceptable. Zhao was told, Malaysia, battling about 3,000 Malaysian Communist Party (CPM) guerrillas along its jungle border with Thailand, was severely critical.

About 10,000 people were reported killed in the Malaysian peninsula during the 12-year Communist insurrection, actively supported by China, from 1948 to 1960. Malaysian leaders expressed disappointment that Zhao failed to disown the CPM, which he claimed had relations with Peking long before ASEAN countries recognized China's Communist government.

China's support for the CPM was nothing more than "political and moral" and ASEAN countries could deal with Communist insurgents as they saw fit, Zhao argued. Describing Communist guerrillas as products of social conditions in various countries, he said China did not wish to export revolution.

But Malaysia's Foreign Minister Tan Sri Gbazali Shafie said his government could not accept explanations given by Zhao for continuing relations between Peking and the CPM.

He rejected the Chinese prime minister's contention that if Peking did not "handle the situation properly," the Soviet Union and Vietnam would fill the vacuum and recruit Communist parties in the region. It was not possible for the pro-Peking CPM to establish a link with the Soviet Union or Vietnam because its whole leadership and 80 percent of the members were ethnic Chinese, Tan Sri Gbazali said.

He said little had been achieved by Zhao's visit

to Kuala Lumpur on the issue, except that Malaysia now had a clearer understanding of Peking's stand. "That does not mean to say we agree with it," he pointed out.

Tan Sri Gbazali's comment was made in Jakarta where he briefed Indonesian leaders about Zhao's visit.

The Chinese leader did not visit Indonesia which suspended relations with Peking in 1967 after accusing China of involvement in an abortive coup. Zhao met a similar headline attitude in Singapore on the third leg of his first regional tour.

Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew told Zhao at a welcoming banquet that the five ASEAN nations — Thailand, Malaysia, the Philippines, Indonesia and Singapore — needed neither communism nor Communist parties for the political and economic advancement of their 250 million peoples.

"Every ASEAN government is convinced that its own Communists are threats only because of outside assistance and interference," he declared.

A senior Singapore official said there appeared to be a slight shift in China's policies toward Marxist insurgents in the area, but this was not enough. "It appears that you can't expect Communist China to change its spots so rapidly," he added.

Despite Zhao's promises, China could not easily renounce its support of "rebellious Maoist organizations" in ASEAN countries, Vietnam's official newspaper *Nhan Dan*, said. "His (Zhao's) cautious words when dealing with this issue have proved that the Chinese authorities have no plan to discard the stick which is still brandished over the heads of many south-east Asian countries," the paper declared. — (R)

## FRENCH TERMS!

Toward the end of this month, Tariq Aziz, deputy chairman of Iraq's Revolutionary Command Council, arrives in Paris on an official visit, which is expected to include talks on the issue of the nuclear center which the Israelis destroyed in their air raid on Baghdad two months ago.

Iraq, it has been noted, is yet officially to ask France for a replacement, while the French say they will look into the matter only when Iraq makes its request. Yet sources from the new French administration have already said that in the event of Iraq raising the subject, France will have to be certain of the "peaceful" nature of such a reactor.

This has raised questions about France's intentions on the matter, as the previous reactor was known to be non-military by both the French who supplied it and the International Atomic Energy Agency which regularly inspected it. So why is France now demanding such assurances?

It is clear that the new administration has been doing its sums regarding its relations to the Arab world, and that it has already taken a decision on "balancing" its relations with both Iraq and Iran. But it is possible that the decision is already being regretted, as the events of the last few days demonstrated how difficult it is to establish any kind of rapport with Tehran.

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

The Kingdom's newspapers Saturday led with a statement by Minister of Oil and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, who reiterated that Saudi Arabia was committed to the official price of oil determined by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC). He asserted that high output of oil will be harmful, and hoped that the forthcoming conference of OPEC will succeed in unifying the oil prices.

Newspapers frontpaged the signing of a scientific and technical cooperation agreement between the Kingdom and Brazil during Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal's visit to Brazil. They also gave front-page coverage to the hijacking of an Iranian Navy missile boat off southern Spain by the Iranian exiles. In a prominent page one story, *Al-Nadwa* reported that the Soviet Union has admitted fierce attacks by the Afghan freedom fighters.

*Al Medina* reported on its front page that Communist China has said "Prince Fahd's proposal is a significant step", but Israel's intransigence will prevent its implementation. In another page one story, it reported that life has returned to normal in Gambia after an abortive coup.

Writing editorially on the Jewish expansionist policy, *Al Medina* observed that this policy created a strong feeling in the Arab world that it has become impossible to co-exist with the Israeli entity. The paper said that Israel receives support from the Christian world which provides it justification to Judaize the Arab lands on Christian or Jewish religious grounds which are thousands of years old. It added that Israel itself has never shown any regard for the Palestinian rights nor has it demonstrated its preparedness to co-exist with other divine religions.

*Al Nadwa* concerned itself with the neutron bomb and U.S. President Reagan's defense of it as only "a defen-

sive weapon which the U.S. and its European allies must possess in order to maintain a balance of power between the Western and Eastern blocs." The paper said that the superpowers would have done well if they had helped the poorer nations and renounced the idea of spending fabulous sums on destructive weapons. By taking an initiative to avoid hostile acts, they would have had the honor of serving civilization and looking after the human rights in the 20th century, the paper added.

On the other hand, *Al Riyadh* discussed the Kingdom's oil policy, saying that it never tried to exploit the world economy but constantly pursued a moderate and balanced policy to help both the rich and the poor nations. The Kingdom's stance was always to map a policy based on economic facts and, therefore, any charges against its oil policies can have no justification, the paper said.

On the same subject, *Al Bilad* referred to the oil minister's statement on the Kingdom's role in stabilizing the oil prices. It said that the Kingdom has invariably taken a firm attitude toward the oil policy to keep it away from international jolts. The paper asserted that Saudi Arabia's oil production serves both the national interest and the interest of OPEC in helping to play its role in the stabilization of economic policy.

Dealing with the same subject, *Okaz* tried to explain who is responsible for a deterioration in the oil market of the world. Supporting the Kingdom's oil policy, it said that this policy has led to the protection of the OPEC in the face of national and international pressures. The paper asserted that the current surplus in oil is not of Saudi Arabia's making but is due to oil companies' withdrawal from their oil reserves. It further endorsed Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani's view that another basic factor that helped in the oil surplus is the reduced consumption by industrial companies and a constant search for an alternative source of energy.

Alternatives being investigated

# Tourism mars Bahamas economy

By Dial Torgerson

NASSAU, The Bahamas, (LT) — In 1492, Christopher Columbus waded ashore through the crystalline Bahamian waters, discovering the New World and becoming the overrunner of millions of tourists who have spared the Commonwealth of the Bahamas from most of the crises that affect the struggling little countries of the region. Almost 2 million tourists each year visit the sun-drenched beaches and quaint cities of the Bahamas, providing 60 percent of the island nation's gross national product and creating 60 percent of the jobs.

As they dance to steel drum bands, water ski, swim, tan, yacht and invest — sometimes immoderately — in the Bahamas' the tourists are keeping the country solvent. And, in the great Caribbean Basin, where bankruptcy often lurks just over the horizon, like next fall's hurricane season, this is not easy. Tourists are flighty. At the least alarm they may flee, the way startled pigeons desert a city square, except the tourists may alight next half a world away.

"Tourism is the biggest engine in our economy," said Prime Minister Lynden O. Pindling. "There's no doubt about that."

But what if the engine falters? How far can a little country of about 250,000 people count on a tide of visiting big spenders to keep the profits rolling in?

There are increasing troubles that could eventually affect tourism — the shortage of jobs for each year's crop of high school graduates, a crime rate that is rising as unemployed youth turn to theft to make a living, the annual population growth rate of 3 percent.

"One of the problems," said an expatriate economist who works here, "is that the people are exposed to sophisticated American tastes — the closest island is only 60 miles from Florida, and the Bahamians see U.S. television, they read American magazines, and they develop American tastes. But very few of them can afford it legally."

So far most of the crime is by Bahamians against Bahamians. The luxury hotels are protected by legions of guards, and the elegantly clad Bahamian Police (white pith helmets and tunics, black trousers with a crimson stripe) protect tourists as if they were a sacred trust.

Leaders of the Bahamas are aware of what happened in the U.S. Virgin Islands, where the "American paradise" suffered a setback in tourism because of a crime wave attributed to unemployed local youths. When the Virgin Islands administration invited eight U.S. travel writers to visit, to offset a spate of bad publicity, muggers stormed their bus and robbed all eight.

"Tourists hear about trouble somewhere in the Caribbean," a Bahamian government official said, "and they think it's happening everywhere. Instead of the Caribbean, they may go to the Mediterranean."

Pindling, 51, a member of parliament here for 25 years and leader of the government since independence in 1973, is aware of the threat of rising unemployment, which runs 25 percent for young people. A careful, pragmatic man, he wants to protect both tourism and his own chances of re-election in next year's national election.

What, he was asked in an interview, could the Bahamas develop as an alternative to the tourism industry?

"Most likely it is construction," he said. "We must broaden the scope of it. We must increase home construction for low-to middle-income groups. The funds for it will come from the world bank, government sources, and from our social security system. We expect to invest between \$30 million and \$40 million in urban renewal and new home construction over the next few years."

Such a program would provide both jobs and housing, which is in short supply in the Bahamas' big cities, the capital of Nassau (100,000) on New Providence Island and Freeport (25,000) on Grand Bahama Island. Bahamians from the other islands — 15 are populated — have come to the cities, seeking work, and upwards of 20,000 Haitians have slipped in illegally with the same goal.

But building houses would not solve the Bahamas' need for a broader economic base as a hedge against a day when tourism might flag. (This year's total is expected to equal last year's 1.9 million visitors, the first time the number of arrivals failed to rise.) To broaden the base, the Bahamas must get, and is seeking, foreign investment.

"The government, as run by Pindling through his Progressive Liberal Party, has become increasingly conservative and careful. Although it has offered big advantages to foreign investors — exemption from most taxes, including those on income and capital gains, for instance — the government carefully reviews each application by foreign investors to locate here, and long delays sometimes discourage businessmen."

"In a country with no natural mineral resources," Pindling said, "we have to use our limited natural resources and our geographical position to best advantage. And one of the things we must do is make a meaningful program, operated carefully, in such a way that it doesn't throw things out of balance."

Pindling's party holds 30 of the 38 seats in parliament, but the opposition is active. The two major opposition parties, the Social Democrats and the Free National Movement, which hold the other eight seats in parliament, charge that Pindling does not have a comprehensive policy for the country. They also say he has been simply taking stopgap measures to ease problems one at a time as they arise.

But the bitterest criticism of Pindling's government comes from the little Vanguard National Socialist Party, which prints an angry twice-a-month newspaper ("Shameless sell-out of the working class," reads a typical headline) that is quickly snapped up by the lower-class people of Nassau's so-called black belt areas.

"We're not fighting people with white skin," said Dr. John McCartney, 40, a one-time assistant professor at Purdue University, and leader of the Socialist Faction. "We're fighting for everybody. It is the white

economic factors which still more or less control the PLP (Pindling's party) and fund his election campaigns."

The Bahamas is 85 percent black, but the white 15 percent holds most of the economic — if not the political — power. Pindling and all the top officials of his government are black.

McCartney's Socialists — who call one another "comrade" and have been hurt, by association, by the costly failure of Jamaica's socialist experiment under Michael Manley — probably won't get into parliament in next year's elections, according to most political

observers.

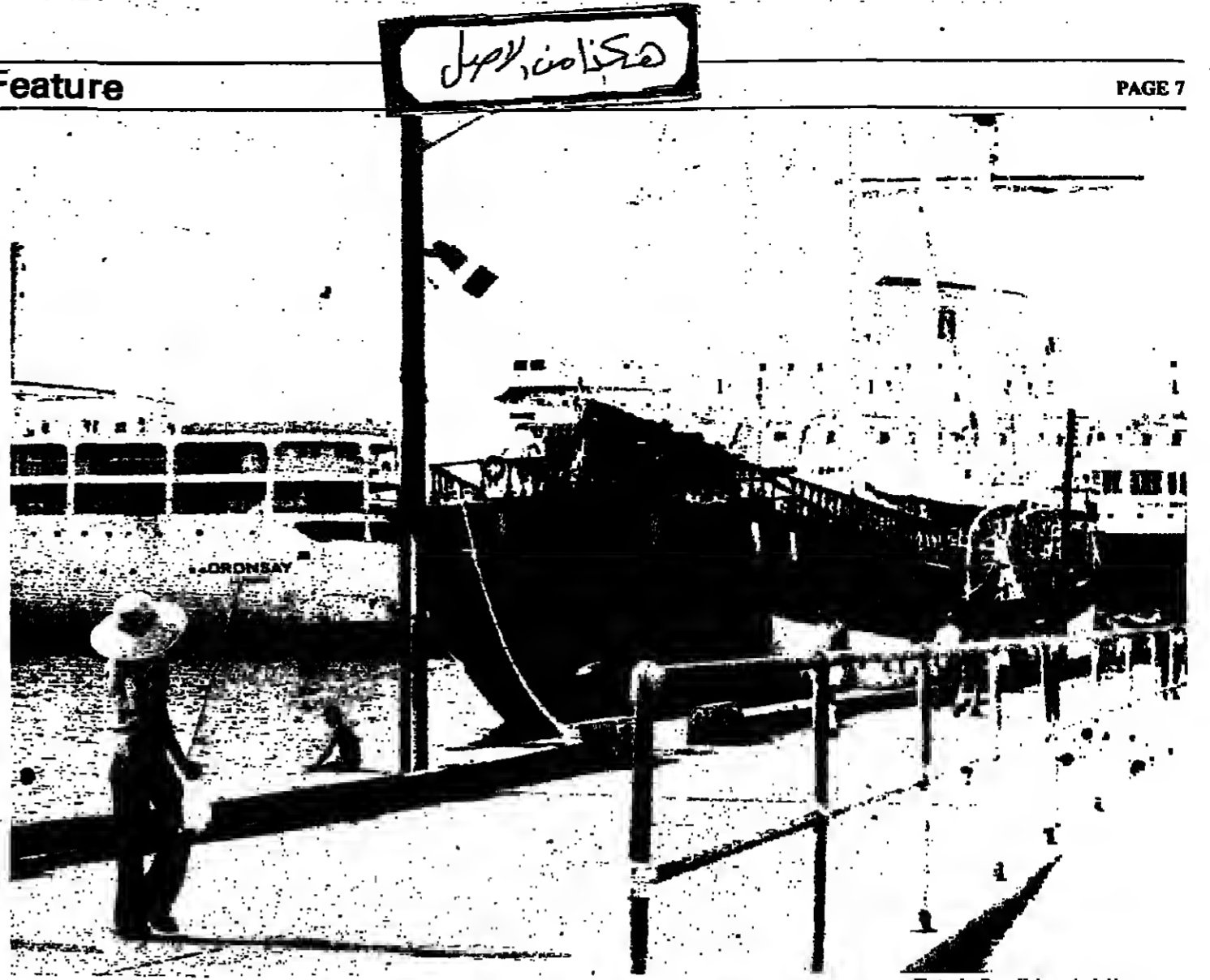
But if unemployment continues to rise, if crime continues to mount, and if anything happens to what is basically a fragile, one-industry economy, the socialists may do better, and Pindling worse, in 1987, most insiders predict.

"We have 14,000 hotel rooms in Nassau, and 8,000 more in the other islands," said Baltron B. Bethel, director general of Bahamian tourism, "and our 10-year program is to build 10,000 more. We are starting new promotions to develop tourism from Latin

America, and upgrading airports to take people directly to the outer islands. We are confident tourism will continue to grow."

"The Bahamas continues to be a stable country politically, socially and economically," says a report from the U.S. Embassy here. "It has the confidence of international bankers, the business community and foreign investors. However, like all developing countries, it is suffering some growing pains..."

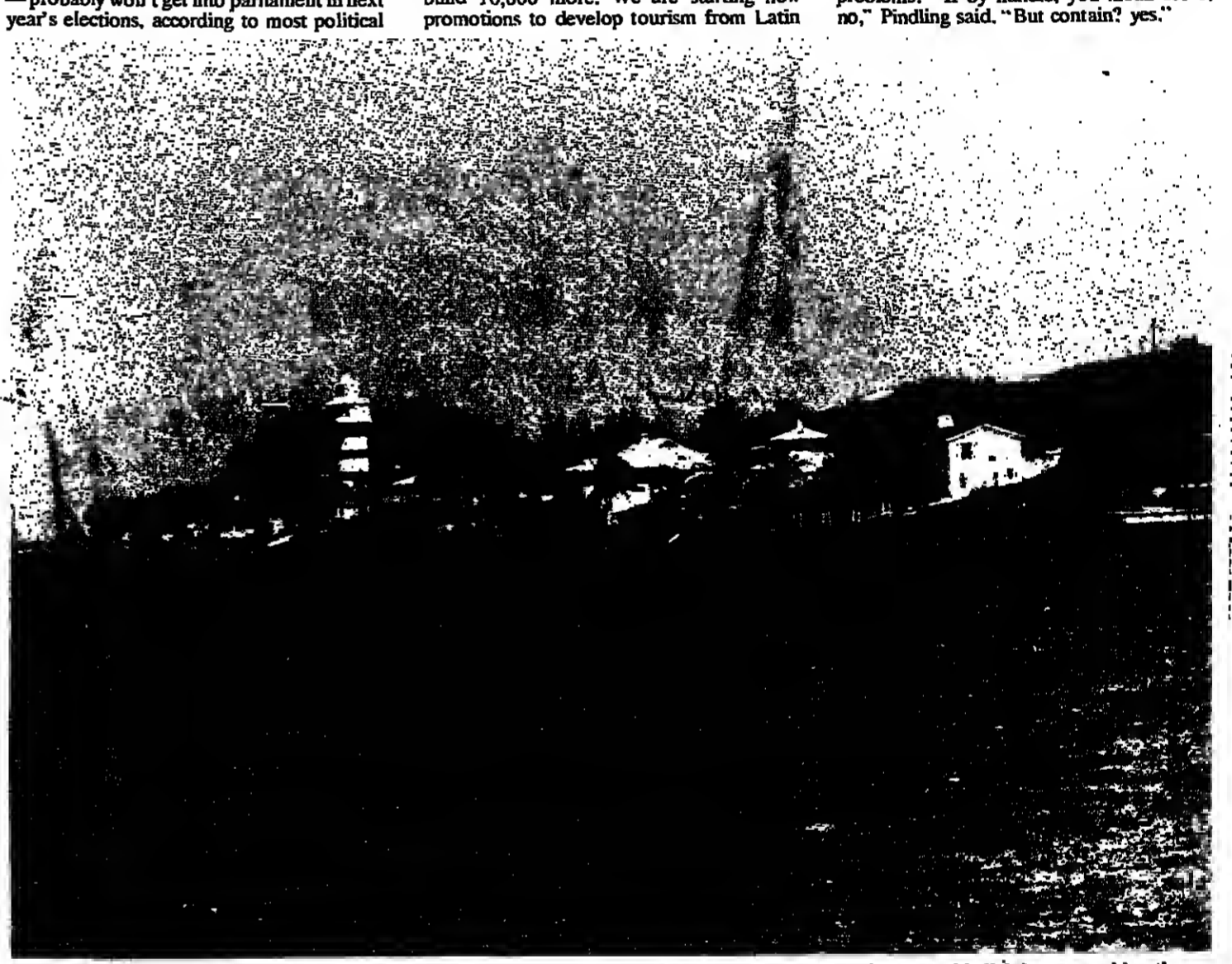
Will the Bahamas be able to handle these problems? "If by handle, you mean solve, no," Pindling said. "But contain? yes."



NASSAU HARBOR: Cruise ships like those in the background regularly dock in Nassau and then continue on to other islands in the Bahamas. The four-masted sailing ship the 'Fantome' also cruises the islands at a more leisure pace by sail.



QUEEN'S STAIRCASE: One of many historical attractions available for tourists to visit in the Bahamas.



NASSAU LIGHTHOUSE: One of the first sights seen by tourists approaching the Bahamas by the sea is this lighthouse marking the entrance to the Nassau Harbor.

## Lazy eye diagnosis developed

By a Science Correspondent

LONDON — Amblyopia or "lazy eye," a condition where one under-used eye can degenerate and become useless, can now be diagnosed early enough to be corrected. Until now, correcting the condition depended on a patient accurately describing how he saw and the doctor correctly identifying the disease — before it had progressed too far.

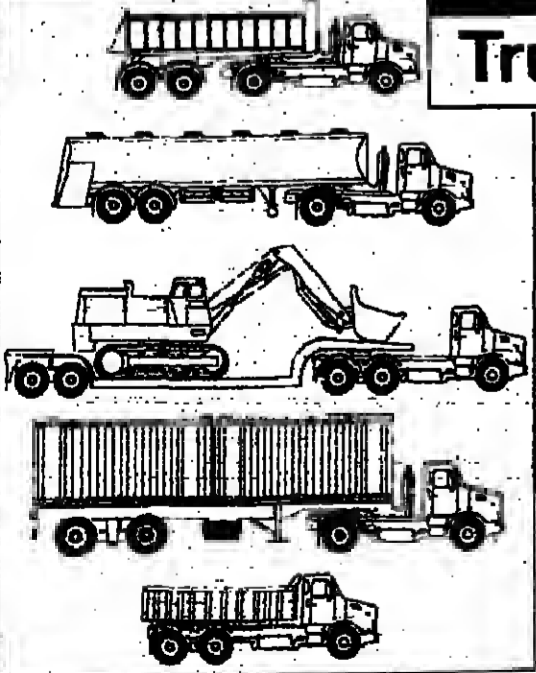
But Dr. S.H. Hay, an ophthalmologist in Huntsville, Alabama, has developed a computer program that reads photographs of the eye taken in strong, direct light. In the photos, the pupils of healthy eyes appear identical, but those shaped differently from one another or having a whitish tinge reveal the presence of lazy eye.

The screening apparatus, including a specially equipped camera and the reading device, is particularly suitable for use in schools, the doctor says.

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Springboks beaten in Test

Anti-tour protesters in riot; 20 injured

CHRISTCHURCH, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Violent clashes between riot police and demonstrators broke out on the streets of Christchurch Saturday as the South Africa Springboks and the New Zealand All-Blacks met in their first rugby Test.

More than 6,000 anti-apartheid demonstrators took to the streets and battled with riot police for three hours before and during the match.

For the first time in New Zealand, police repeatedly used long baton riot-sticks in a series of confrontations which left more than 20 people injured.

The anti-tour groups, acting in close liaison, were trying to burst through the security ring at the city's Lancaster Park rugby ground.

Muldoon was whisked from his residence after 50 protesters set siege to it early in the afternoon.

Police arrested 200 people during the afternoon in a nation-wide wave of protest against the Springboks' tour.

In Auckland itself anti-tour protesters

Saturday stormed an Air New Zealand Boeing aircraft and held it for more than an hour before police arrested them.

In Christchurch, more than 200 demonstrators burst onto the pitch at Lancaster Park only minutes before the Test match began.

Police with riot sticks drove the group from the ground. Officials found glass and tacks spread on the playing area.

Earlier the Springboks were smuggled into a heavily-fortified rugby ground before dawn, more than six hours before the scheduled start of the first Test match.

The Springboks spent the night in the rooms of a suburban rugby club after hotel workers had refused to serve them.

The New Zealanders were too lively in the forwards for their much bigger Springboks opponents and were also more enterprising in the backs during the game.

It was the first loss for the South Africans on their troubled New Zealand tour and the scoreline was possibly a little flattering to them.

The first was scored after half an hour by flyhalf Doug Rollerson and was followed six minutes later by the best try of the game, when All-Black Center Stu Wilson dashed 40 meters to touch down near the post.

Ali to make a comeback

COLUMBIA, South Carolina Aug. 15 (AP) — Three-time world heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali says he'll come to Columbia next week to secure a boxing license and make a comeback by fighting a top heavyweight opponent here in November.

"This'll really shake the world," Ali said in a telephone interview with the Associated Press.

Ali said he chose South Carolina because the state is one of three places in the United States to indicate it would grant him a license to box.

Asked why he would want to stage a boxing match in South Carolina, Ali said, "I want to make history here (America). I don't want to make it in a foreign land."

Ali, who will turn 40 in January, said he has been working out for about two months, and weighs about 240 pounds (108 kgs).

Chris Hitopoulis, Chairman of the Richard County Boxing Commission, said Ali would be granted the license if he passes a physical examination when he comes here.

It is our understanding that Ali has gone through three major physical examinations



Ali having a close look at the scales

in the past nine months to satisfy himself that he is physically well, and also in efforts to secure a license for a possible return to boxing." Hitopoulis said.

It is the commission's opinion that if Ali applies for a license to box in Richland County and passes the physical by the commission's physician, we would not only grant him a license, but welcome his comeback against a formidable opponent at the Carolina Coliseum at the earliest possible date.

Caulkins inching toward mark

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 15 (AP) — Tracy Caulkins added another national title to her growing list Friday, taking the women's 400-meter individual medley in 4 minutes, 43.66 seconds at the U.S. Long-Course Swimming Championships.

Caulkins, 18, of Nashville, Tennessee, now has 33 national titles, compared with the record career total of 36 set by Johnny Weissmuller from 1921-28.

Caulkins was more than six seconds ahead of runnerup Patty Gavin of Westchester, Pennsylvania, as competition continued on the second day of the four-day meet at the

Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center in suburban Brown Deer.

Mary Meagher, 16, of Louisville, who bettered her world record time in the women's 200-meter butterfly Thursday, finished second in the 200-meter freestyle with a time of 2:01.14 to the 2:00.05 clocking of the winner, Marybeth Lintzner of Mission Viejo, California.

David Larson, Gainesville, Florida, took the men's 200-meter freestyle in 1:50.86, and Jesse Vassallo of Mission Viejo, California, won the men's 400-meter individual medley in 4:20.53.

Norwich rally for a tie

Notts County begin on unimpressive note

LONDON, Aug. 15 (AFP) — English First Division newcomers, Notts County, were held to a one-all draw in their opening Group Cup match at Lincoln Saturday.

Lincoln City went ahead in the sixth minute through Gordon Hobson, and County's preparations for their first season in the top flight for 55 years received another setback when striker Trevor Christie was carried off with an ankle injury.

They equalized with a goal by Guydon Mair after 25 minutes but had to settle for a draw, despite some heavy second-half pressure.

Norwich, relegated from the First Division last season, had to overcome a two-goal deficit to gain a draw with Fourth Division Peterborough United Home at Carrow road.

Robbin Paoke and Trevor put lively Peterborough two-up inside half an hour, but Greg Shepherd and Mick McGuire scored in the last five minutes of the first half to spare Norwich's blushes.

Only three of the 32 teams in the new competition collected the bonus point awarded for three goals or more — Watford, Burnley and Wimbledon.

Malcolm Poskett, Watford's top scorer last season, was on the mark twice in the 4-1 win against Reading with Nigel Callaghan and Luther Blissett (penalty) completing the scoring.

Northern Ireland striker Billy Hamilton and Steve Taylor hit two goals each in Burnley's 4-2 victory against Carlisle. All the goals came in the first half, with new signing Bob Lee scoring twice for Carlisle.

other side of Glasgow, where Rangers ran rampant to beat Raith Rovers 8-1. Ian Redford helped himself to four, Bobby Russell scored two and Rangers' other goals came from Sandy Jardine and Colin McAdam. Raith's goal came from Bobby Russell.

Soccer results

Table with soccer results for English Group Cup and Scottish League Cup, listing teams and scores.

Leonard shocked

VENEZUELA, Aug. 15 (AP) — Collin Bradford upset Cuban star Silvio Leonard to give Canada the victory in the 100-meter dash competition in a two-day Track and Field meeting here that will select the America II team for the October 4-5 World Cup Tournament in Rome. Scott Nielsen, another Canadian, won the hammer throw.

Botham delights crowd with another breezy ton

MANCHESTER, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Ian Botham began following the general slow trend of England's second innings in the fifth Test against Australia Saturday afternoon.

But his pugnacious nature could not be suppressed for long and after one wild attempt to pull Lillee he started hitting out with a vengeance.

Alderman had withdrawn after 160 minutes bowling, replaced by Ray Bright and the pressure was off at the other end too when Mike Whitney returned for Lillee.

Tavare finally pushed Whitney for one to reach his second 50 in the match, in 304 minutes — the third slowest 50 in Test history and the slowest in England.

Then Botham began to take charge and when Kim Hughes decided to take the new ball, set about Lillee, taking 22 off him in the over, including two super sixes.

The former England captain put up his 50 in just 76 minutes — nearly four hours faster than Tavare's half century. It included the two sixes, and six fours, and came off only 60 balls.

His dramatic spell of batting took England to 175 for five, a lead of 276 to the astonishment of spectators made drowsy by hours of inaction.

It began to drizzle and the scoring rate dropped a little but it did not prevent Botham from hitting another couple of tremendous sixes, hooking the ball over his head apparently effortlessly.

At tea the Somerset all-rounder needed only six more runs for a century, having hit his 94 in 103 minutes. Twenty-four of the runs came from sixes three off Lillee and one, over long-on, off Alderman.

With Tavare still there, 67 not out, England were 226-5, 327 runs ahead, having scored 127 runs in the 150 minute afternoon session.

Sam Torrance forges ahead

PORTMARNOCK, Ireland, Aug. 15 (AP) — Sam Torrance, a 27-year-old Scot, hit a blistering 67 to take over the lead after the second round of the 80,000-pound (\$150,000) Irish Open Golf Championship Friday, but Vicent Fernandez of Argentina did better.

Fernandez, the 35-year-old veteran, scored seven birdies, one sunk with his driver, for 66 to move into second place after a poor first round Thursday.

Fernandez, winner of the 1979 British PGA Championship, found he had left his putter back at the starter's caravan. So he holed out the first with his driver for a birdie three, while his caddy scooped back for the putter.

Torrance ended the day with a nine-under-par 135 and moved a step closer to selection for the British Ryder Cup team for the first time to meet the U.S. team at Walton Heath, England, Sept. 18.

"I've got my foot halfway through the door now, my big hope is that I don't break a leg," he told reporters after play.

Rodger Davis of Australia, first after the first round Thursday, turned in a 73 and faded to fifth place.

Ed Sneed of the United States shot a 69 to hold to third place in a tie with Eamonn Darcy of Ireland, both on 137.

American challengers George Burns, Tom Weiskopf and Peter Jacobsen all flopped. Weiskopf carded 73 for 145 and just missed the cutoff. But Jacobsen with a disastrous 78 for 151 and Burns with 75 for 149 were both out. Isao Aoki of Japan had a two-under-par 70 but was still down the field with 143.

Rogers wins Stockholm marathon

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 15 (AP) — Bill Rogers broke away from fellow-American Dick Beardsley after the midway point and held on for a clearcut victory Saturday in his first Stockholm Marathon.

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ANOTHER TON: Former England captain, Ian Botham, who scored his eighth Test century, smashes Lillee to the fence in his knock of 118 in the fifth Test against Australia Saturday.

It rained during the tea interval but stopped in time for the resumption, and the covers were removed. Botham wasted no time in going for his century, hitting a two and then his fifth six, this time over the backward square-leg boundary.

The hundred — his eighth in Tests and 15 in all — came in 104 minutes, off only eight six balls. He hit five sixes and eleven fours. It took England to 234-5, a lead of 335. Tavare was 67 not out.

Botham's tremendous onslaught came to an end some 20 minutes after tea when, going for another big hit, he edged Whitney behind to wicketkeeper Rod Marsh, who comfortably held the catch.

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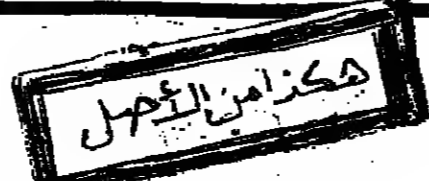
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That was more than two minutes faster than Texan Jeff Wells' record time in this race. Wells, who did not race this time, won last year's race in 2:15.49. Beardsley finished second Saturday in 2:14.17.

Some 8,000 runners from 27 nations entered the annual race, held on a scenic and varied route with a constantly changing panorama.

A near capacity crowd gave Rogers a standing ovation as the popular American

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**Ref abandons tie after being kicked**

**Leeds United stumbles into final**

TORONTO, Canada, Aug. 15 (AP) — Leeds United of the English League advanced to the final of the second annual Toronto International Soccer Tournament when it was awarded a victory against Barcelona of Ecuador in a match Friday night, abandoned after the referee was kicked by a player.

Barcelona forward Carlos Torres Gartes had been knocked down in the penalty area at 26:49 of a 30-minute overtime period with the score tied 1-1. But Gord Arrowsmith, a national soccer league referee in Toronto, did not call a penalty and Ecuadorian players and coach Humberto Maschio approached him voicing their displeasure.

Moments later, Gartes kicked Arrowsmith and the referee abandoned the game. Tournament officials met for more than one hour following the game before deciding to award the match to Leeds, which now plays Sunday against the winner of a game between Toronto Italia and Benfica of Portugal.

"The professional integrity of this tournament supercedes any financial advantage to continuing this game," said Howard Smith, a tournament organizer. "What loss the game for Barcelona was their non-soccer conduct."

Referee-in-chief Larry Naccaratta had asked Arrowsmith to return to the field and restart the game, but he refused. Naccaratta then wanted to restart the game himself, but Leeds manager Allan Clarke refused to bring his players back on the field.

"Arrowsmith was standing put on a FIFA (Federation International de Football Association) rule stating that once a game has been abandoned it cannot be resumed," said promoter Frank Alvarez. "Even Eric King (executive director of the Canada Soccer Association) asked Arrowsmith to come back. We gave him every guarantee for his safety."

Clarke was disappointed by the outcome but adamant about the actions of the Ecuadorian players. "I feel sorry for the tournament organizers and the crowd (9,000 spectators) because up to that point it had been an exciting game."

"But we're professionals. We don't argue with the ref. The ref. told me he abandoned the game so I took the players off and got them in the bath."

Clarke had agreed to bring his players back Saturday to finish the game with penalty awards deciding the winner, but tournament organizers made their own decision.

"Alcides de Oliveira gave Barcelona a 1-0 lead in the 53rd minute on a short shot after getting a perfect pass across the goal-mouth from Mario Tenorio."

But Leeds then began to take control of the proceedings and tied the game when international star Peter Barnes, recently transferred from West Bromwich began to assert himself on the field.

In the 68th minutes, Barnes, started a play in which substitute forward Terry Connor, 19,

split the South Americans defence on a pass from former Scottish international Eddie Gray and booted in a shot along the grass into the left corner.

Leeds played the entire second half a man short after Paul Hart was ejected for hitting Oliviera.

In the North American Soccer League, Bill Faria drilled two short goals to lead the Los Angeles Aztecs to a 3-1 victory over the California Surf Friday.

The victory which boosted the Aztecs record to 19-12, moved them past the idle San Diego Sockers into first place in their

**Liverpool to pay record fee for Mark Lawrenson**

LONDON, Aug. 15 (Agencies) — Liverpool have lined up a club record fee of 900,000 pounds for Mark Lawrenson, Brighton's 24-year-old Republic of Ireland international defender.

Liverpool plans to finance the deal with three players moving — goalkeeper Ray Clemence, midfielder Jimmy Case and defender Collin Irwin.

On Saturday afternoon, international goalkeeper Clemence was transferred to Tottenham for 300,000 pounds. The deal was timed to make Clemence eligible for the first round of the European Cup of Cup winners tournament. Meanwhile, Liverpool has agreed a fee of 350,000 pounds with Swansea, who want Irwin.

Clemence had spent 14 years with Liverpool and made 600 appearance, but was replaced by Zimbabwe international goalkeeper Bruce Grobbelaar.

division.

Faria's first goal, just 25 seconds into the second half, was unassisted, but from five yards out that gave the Aztecs a 2-0 lead.

The Aztecs had broken on top when Chris Dangerfield rocketed a goal past Surf goalkeeper Mike Mahoney from 15 yards.

The Surf battled back with Charlie Cooke dribbling into range and scoring on assists by Oates and Parto Cenar.

Faria's second goal came on an assist by Dangerfield with less than two minutes to play.



Ray Clemence, makes exit after 14 long years.

**Irish girls clinch pairs title**

TORONTO, Aug. 15 (AP) — With one more round of play remaining, Ireland has clinched the pairs title, while Hong Kong and England battle for the triples crown in the Women's World Lawn Bowling Championship.

Ireland won both of its pairs matches Friday to run its record to 14 wins against just two defeats. With only the 16th round left to be played Saturday morning, Fiji, which stood second at 12 victories and two ties, and England, third with 11 wins and three losses, could not overtake the Irish duo.

Ireland beat Papua New Guinea 21-16 in the morning round and then followed with a 21-16 triumph over Zimbabwe. Fiji held onto second place with a pair of wins, 31-10 over Canada and 33-9 over Guernsey. England also won twice, beating Australia 30-13 and the United States 23-18.

In other results in was: Guernsey 19, Mil-

wai 15; Jersey 32, Zambia 8; Zimbabwe 17, Swaziland 13; Wales 29, New Zealand 10; U.S. 22, Scotland 16; Wales 25, Malawi 15; Swaziland 27, Papua 7; New Zealand 26, Hong Kong 15; Jersey 24, Scotland 15 and Zambia 23, Australia 20.

That left Australia in fourth place with 10 wins and two ties, followed by Wales at 10-1, Zimbabwe 10 wins; Guernsey nine wins; Canada and Hong Kong tied with eight wins each, Swaziland 7-1, Zambia and New Zealand seven wins each; U.S. six wins; Papua five wins; Malawi four wins; Jersey three wins and Scotland two wins and one tie.

Meanwhile, in triples play, Hong Kong and England were scheduled to play Saturday with the gold medal on the line. Hong Kong leads with 14 wins in 16 matches, but England is right behind with 13 victories. A win by Hong Kong will clinch the gold medal.

**Lendl whips Teacher to make semis**

MONTREAL, Aug. 15 (AP) — Defending champion Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia whipped Brian Teacher, 6-1, 6-1, Friday to gain a berth in the semifinals of the \$200,000 Canadian men's Open Tennis Championship.

The fourth-seeded Czech demolished the seventh-ranked Teacher with blazing passing shots and a devastating serve that Teacher simply could not handle.

Sixth-seeded Eliot Teltscher, who has rocketed to 10th place on the computer rankings, eliminated Heinz Gunthardt of Switzerland 6-4, 6-2, while Vijay Amritraj ousted Steve Denton, 6-2, 6-2.

"I think this was my best match of the tournament this week and I just hope I can play as well Saturday," said Lendl, who won last year's title at Toronto by beating Sweden's Bjorn Borg.

Teacher, currently ranked 11th on the Association of Tennis Professionals world computer rankings, said Lendl did not give with a chance to get started.

"His ground strokes were just a joke," Teacher said. "Every one was a winner. He was playing too well. This discouraging because I know that I could play Borg or (Jimmy) Connors and not get beat that bad."

Meanwhile, top-seeded Gene Mayer of Woodmere, New York, and three others scored straight-set quarterfinal victories to move into Saturday's semifinal round of the \$75,000 Western Open Tennis Championships at Harold T. Clark Tennis Center.

Mayer, the only one of the top four seeds to survive the early rounds of the tournament, defeated Ben Testerman of Knoxville, Tennessee, on Friday 6-0, 6-4.

Also moving into the semifinals were Rodney Harmon of Richmond, Virginia, David Sieglar of Dallas and Hank Pfister of Bakersfield, California.

Harmon defeated Ernie Fernandez of Puerto Rico, and Ohio State University senior, 6-3, 6-4. Sieglar advanced by beating Chris Dunk, Santa Ana, California, 6-2, 6-4, while Pfister knocked off Colin Dibley, Australia, 6-2, 6-1.

In doubles, Erik Van Dillen of Burlingame, California, and Van Wintsky, Lauderdale, Florida, defeated Nduka Odior, Nigeria, and David Dowlen, Houston, 6-3, 6-3, while John Benson, San Antonio, teamed with Mike Bauer, Lafayette, California, to beat Alejandro Cortes, Colombia and Ricardo Acuna, Chile, 7-6, 6-2.

In Richmond, seventh-seeded Mary Lou Pattek shocked top-seeded Sylvia Hanika of West Germany, 2-6, 6-1, 7-6 (7-5), in the quarterfinals of the \$100,000 Central Fidelity Banks International.

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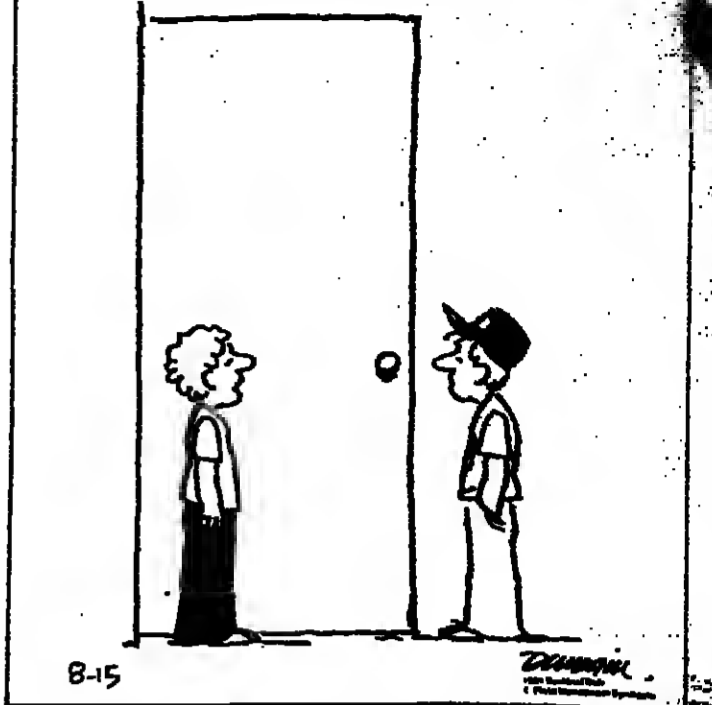
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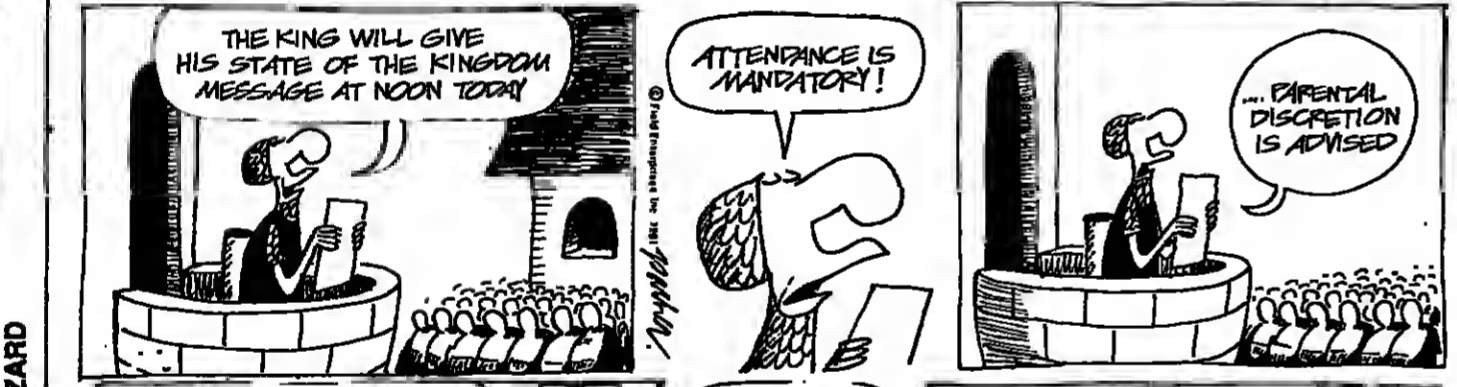
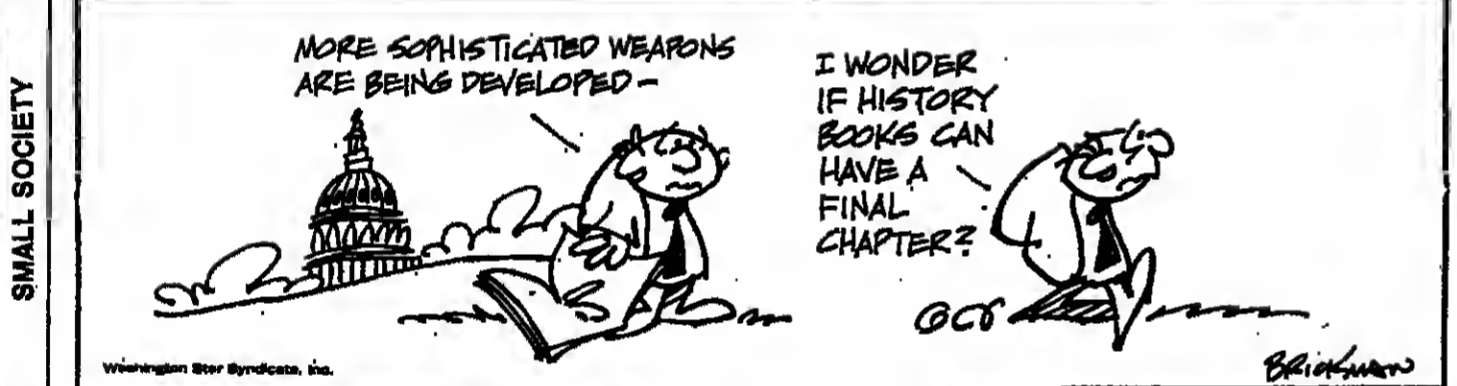
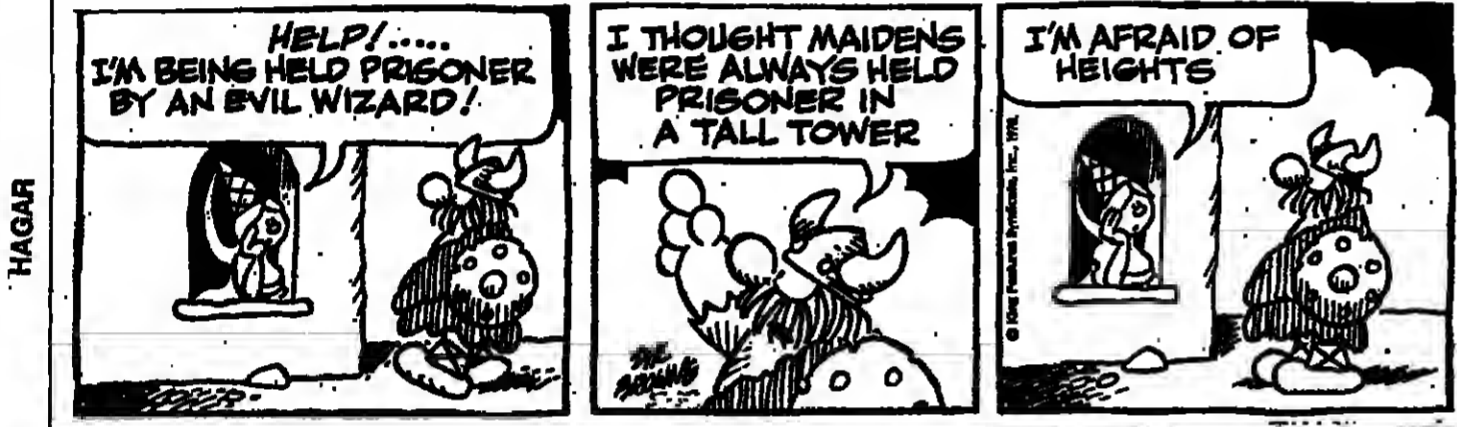
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  - 9:00 Cultural Series
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  - 9:45 Songs
  - 10:00 English News
  - 10:20 Songs
  - 10:30 Arabic County Series
  - 12:10 News
  - 12:20 Quran
- Bahrain**
  - 4:00 Quran Religious Talk
  - 4:20 Program Preview
  - 4:25 News
  - 4:50 Children's Program
  - 6:00 Exploring the Crystal Sea
  - 6:30 Soldier's Diary
  - 7:00 Daily Arabic Series
  - 8:00 Arabic News
  - 8:30 Grizzly Animals
  - 8:45 English News
  - 9:45 Tomorrow's Program
  - 9:50 Arabic Program
  - 10:50 Arabic Film
- Kuwait Channel 4**
  - 7:00 Quran
  - 7:05 Songs
  - 8:00 News
  - 8:15 Islam in North America
  - 8:30 Trapper John
  - 9:45 Survival
  - 10:15 Best Sellers
- Oman**
  - 4:02 Quran
  - 4:17 Today's Program
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  - 6:30 Children's Series
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**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Don't expect sympathy from others. You may find a close friend's indifference or cavalier attitude disappointing. Don't magnify problems.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) Your social life may not live up to expectations. If somewhat bored, you're inclined to overdo in food or drink. Try not to.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You'll have a better time if you'll refrain from mixing business interests with pleasure. Keep these areas of life separate.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You can't be in two places at once. Travel and domestic interests don't mix. You'll find that in-laws may dwell on unresolved issues.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22) Don't argue about the cost of

travel. Business negotiations are liable to break down now. Utilize creative imagination.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Trying to please a loved one at the same time that you're trying to keep expenses down may present a conflict impossible to resolve.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Too much ego can interfere with competent work performance. Avoid excess strain. Relax and try not to do too much at once.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A loved one may prefer quiet times to going out. Children are apt to react against too much show of authority. Avoid extravagance.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) After the initial strain of introductions, associates at a get-together may go overboard. Be mindful of family responsibilities.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) It may be hard to make yourself understood at present. You either get negative feedback, or others do not take you seriously enough.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) An ambivalent attitude towards costs can cause you to alternate between extravagance and stinginess, especially if away from home.


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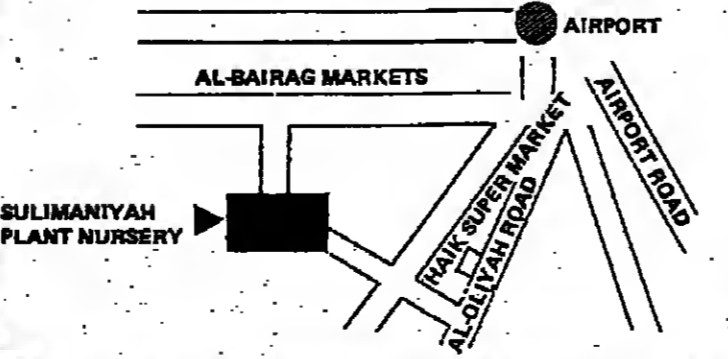
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## International

### Poles cancel strike as leaders return from Crimea talks

WARSAW, Aug. 15 (AP) — Poland's top Communist leaders returned here Saturday after meeting with Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev in the Crimea, as unionists in Gdansk reportedly canceled a warning strike in the Baltic port city scheduled for next Monday.

The Soviet News Agency Tass, in reporting the departure from the Soviet Union of Polish Communist Party chief Stanislaw Kania and Premier Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski gave no details of their talks with the Soviet leader.

The Communist Party daily *Trybuna Ludu* reported that Solidarity union leaders in Gdansk canceled the threatened warning strike after workers celebrated the first anniversary of Solidarity, their independent labor federation.

Meanwhile, an estimated 250,000 persons heard Roman Catholic Archbishop Jozef Glemp appeal for a combined effort of state, church and party leaders to end Poland's turmoil.

The new primate spoke to a mass of people in Czestochowa, an industrial city. "Can't our country be compared to a boat tossed in the wind," Glemp said. "People get hold of the rudder and some pull in this direction and others in the other direction. Some are falling, tripped up by their own legs, he said. "It is so difficult to act in concert, in harmony when trying to steer the boat out of the turmoil."

Although they reportedly canceled the warning strike in Gdansk, the union leaders there also urged local printers to support a nationwide newspaper strike Wednesday and Thursday if the independent union is not given access to media.

The newspaper strike threat came in an appeal last week for an end to other food protests and demonstrations by Solidarity leaders who Friday marked the first anniversary of Gdansk shipyard strikes that launched the Soviet bloc's first such union.

### Africa backs Salim for top U.N. post

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 15 (AP) — Kurt Waldheim's prospects of getting a third term as U.N. secretary-general were clouded when nonaligned countries in the United Nations were asked to join the African countries in backing Tanzanian Foreign Minister Salim Ahmad Salim to succeed Waldheim.

Cuban Ambassador Raul Roa-Kouri, chairman of the nonaligned countries here, relayed the request to the group, set out in a letter to him from Zimbabwe Ambassador Elleck K. Mashingaidze, chairman of the U.N. African group.

The letter said heads of state and government in the Organization of African Unity meeting in Nairobi last June 24-27 decided to present Salim "as Africa's candidate to the post of secretary-general."

"I should, therefore, be grateful if you would communicate this letter to the members of your group," Mashingaidze wrote. "The African group looks forward for your support in this important matter."

A secretary-general to serve for the five years starting next Jan. 1 must be chosen before the end of this year, when the Austrian Waldheim comes to the end of his second term.

To win, a candidate must first be recommended by a vote of at least nine of the 15 members on the Security Council — where Britain, France, China, the Soviet Union or the United States can veto him — and then be approved by a simple majority of those voting in the 154-nation General Assembly.

Waldheim is generally believed to be interested in another term, although he has declined to say so yet. In the last four and a half months he has visited leaders of all five veto-holding countries in their capitals.

In theory, in the African group Salim already has 50 votes. Should he get the support of all non-aligned U.N. members, the figure would rise to 92. That would be more than enough for approval by the Assembly. But diplomats privately express doubt that he get the required nine votes in the council, which is not at all sure, the United States would veto him.

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### Explosives defused Police uncover IRA 'bomb factory'

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Some 200 residents of the predominantly Roman Catholic Shantallow District in North Londonderry were evacuated overnight as bomb disposal experts worked to defuse the explosives. Authorities declined to say how they discovered the bomb-making materials, Friday.

The almost exclusively Catholic IRA is fighting to end Protestant-dominated Northern Ireland's status as a British province and reunite it with the largely Catholic Irish Republic to the South.

In Lurgan, County Armagh, police reported finding a cache of gasoline bombs and other equipment in a field. A spokesman for the predominantly Protestant Royal Ulster Constabulary said the haul included 80 primed gasoline bombs, 10 gallons of

### Qaddafi pleads for strikers

UNITED NATIONS, Aug. 15 (AP) — Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi, in a letter issued here, called on U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim "to intervene" to save the lives of Irish Republican Army men who are staging hunger strikes in Northern Ireland's Maze Prison by asking Britain to classify them as political prisoners.

The letter, forwarded by Libyan delegate Awad S. Burwin, was circulated at his request as a document for consideration in the coming U.N. General Assembly's debate on the international covenants on human rights. Waldheim's spokesman, Francois Giuliani, said he had no reaction yet from the secretary-general, now visiting Vienna.

Qaddafi's letter read as if he wanted Waldheim to persuade the British government to grant the prisoners' demands. "Every 60 days..." he wrote, "some of the

harvest sons of Northern Ireland... are paying with their own lives for the intransigent attitude of Britain which refuses to grant them the status of political prisoners.

"These men should be granted a political status in view of the fact that they are indeed fighting for a just and sacred cause, the freedom of their nation, which is one of the world's smallest, but which still has its place under the sun, free as God created it."

"In spite of good relations existing between my country and Britain, I wish for humanitarian and revolutionary considerations... to call upon your excellency, and through you, upon the United Nations, and urge you to intervene in order to put an end to the series of tragic deaths."

"Otherwise," he added cryptically, "the price that will be paid by all intransigent people and fence sitters may be more damaging and painful."

### Hopes stand will change Moscow attacks French defense policies

MOSCOW, Aug. 15 (AP) — The Soviet Union has sharply criticized the tough defense policies of France's new Socialist government, and Soviet analysts have suggested that Mitterrand is following Washington's line.

Mitterrand, elected in June, has taken a firm stand on Soviet medium-range missiles in Europe. His government also has condemned "Soviet aggression" against Afghanistan and strongly warned against intervention in Poland.

Soviet analysts appear to believe that Mitterrand's government will start its toe before long. "In the long run," a Soviet specialist commented in a recent private talk, "we expect Mitterrand to take a Gaulist-type line and to maintain his freedom of movements from the United States."

In Paris, a French Foreign Ministry spokesman said it was ridiculous to suggest,

just because we are firmer than the preceding government on two issues, Afghanistan and the SS-20s, that we are less independent of Washington."

Any suggestions that France has compromised its independence, he added, would be "completely unacceptable." For more than two decades, Paris and Moscow have carried on a special dialogue, started by Gen. Charles de Gaulle and continued by Presidents Georges Pompidou and Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

Although Mitterrand is a Socialist and eventually took Communist Party members into his government, Moscow made no secret of preferring to see Giscard d'Estaing re-elected. Giscard won particular gratitude from the Kremlin in 1980 as the first Western leader to meet President Leonid I. Brezhnev after Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

In his campaign and after his election, Mitterrand took a stronger line against the Soviet Union than Giscard. "The Soviets were aware that Mitterrand would support the Atlantic alliance with the United States," a French diplomat here said.

Mitterrand has repeatedly claimed that the Soviet Union, by deploying SS-20 medium-range missiles has upset the balance of forces in Europe and established a Soviet superiority.

Commenting on last month's meeting between Mitterrand and NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns and on remarks by French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson and Defense Minister Charles Hernu, Tass repeated Soviet claims that the East-West balance has not been upset by the SS-20s.

Soviets also appear in doubt about the effects of the French Communists' entry into the government. "There are advantages to them being on the inside, but it limits their freedom of maneuver," a Soviet foreign affairs expert said.



FISH STORY: A marine biologist, right, tries to hitch a ride aboard a whale shark in the Pacific Ocean off the coast of Baja California. The whale shark as long as a city bus when fully grown, is the earth's largest fish.

### Honeymoon ends Charles, Diana leave Egypt

HURGHADA, Egypt, Aug. 15 (AP) — England's Prince Charles and his bride Lady Diana ended their two-week honeymoon cruise Saturday morning with an official send-off from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat. The royal couple, who exchanged vows on July 29 in London's St. Paul's cathedral, boarded a royal jetliner and took off for Britain at 11:20 a.m.

They had been cruising the Mediterranean and Red Seas aboard the queen's yacht *Britannia*. The bride, the Princess of Wales, wore a peach-colored suit. Her husband the prince, heir to the English throne, wore a dark blue suit.

They motored ashore at this Egyptian resort aboard one of *Britannia's* launches. After a quick drive to the nearby airstrip, the couple was greeted by Sadat and his wife, Jihan.

Last Wednesday, after a raucous welcome at Egypt's Port Said, the honeymooners served a shipboard dinner for the Sadats. On Saturday, the Egyptian president provided a military honor guard with goose-stepping soldiers to celebrate the newlyweds' departure.

Sadat and his wife chatted with the royal couple, but there were no public statements. Just before the door to the airliner was shut, Lady Diana turned toward the Sadats, who were standing on the tarmac, and gave a goodbye wave.

A heavy rain of Egyptian schoolgirls presented the royal couple with flowers before they departed.

The honeymoon cruise started at Gibraltar with utmost secrecy. The liner-like yacht plied the Aegean and Ionian seas, arriving in Egypt Wednesday. *Britannia* anchored off a sandy Red Sea island for the last night of the couple's honeymoon. It is believed the pair was headed for Scotland and a family gathering at Balmoral Castle.

Egyptian officials said President and Mrs. Sadat were keen to see the couple off as a gesture of esteem, friendship and amiable bilateral relations. On Thursday, President Sadat presented the prince with the Order of the Republic, First Class, the highest Egyptian decoration open to foreigners who are not heads of state.

### Violence erupts in Sri Lanka

COLOMBO, Aug. 15 (R) — Two persons were seriously hurt and a number of vehicles set on fire in fresh outbreaks of communal violence Friday, a government spokesman said Saturday. The disturbances between Sri Lanka's majority Sinhalese community and the minority Tamils occurred mainly in a rich gem-mining and rubber district, 90 kms from Colombo.

Fifteen persons were arrested during the incidents, the spokesman said. There were also sporadic incidents in other areas and security forces made several arrests, he said.

The government-run *Ceylon Daily News* said the violence was mainly arson and looting. President Junius Jayewardene called out troops Wednesday night and gave them tough powers to quell the violence.

### Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen

It is possible that my quest for "the worst job in the world" is at an end. There was a job I saw advertised recently, than which there could not possibly be any worse assignment. A plastic-helmets making company — the helmets used by motorcyclists and such — informed the populace that it has just completed its "theoretical" tests on a new line of its product, and is now ready to subject it to actual tests. Those interested please call. The pay is good and the work is...  
But ah, here is the rub. What could the job possibly be but wearing the helmet then standing at the ready near a solid wall. One whistle from the foreman and you start methodically bashing your helmeted head against it until you drop to the floor quite stunned. At which point the designer comes and suggests improvements.

These are made and you are made to put the improved design on. Start bashing your head again and go on as before, for them to see if you can keep at it longer. Finish this part of the test and then you find yourself bailed up by your feet then dropped on your (helmeted) head from various heights to determine how well the product stands "direct impact". You are then dragged to another lab...  
But no. I said that my search might be at an end but that might not be true after all. For the other day in the South of France I found myself sitting next to a young man from Egypt. We got to talking and he informed me that after a long and arduous search he'd found a job at last.

That of a human fire eater at a circus. The job, essentially, involves swallowing enormous quantities of... But I'll spare the details as you're probably having your first coffee...  
Translated from Ashraf Al Awzat

### Police kill enraged man in France

ROUEN, Northwestern France, Aug. 15 (AFP) — Police Saturday shot dead a Portuguese worker after a 12-hour siege during which the man shot and seriously wounded a policeman and threatened several members of his own family, police said.

Albino Dos Santos, who had reportedly become furious over a family dispute, harried himself in his house in Petit-Quevilly, a working-class suburb of this city about 100 kms west of Paris, at 10:30 p.m. Friday night. He had two shotguns and a pistol, according to police.

His two sons, 23 and 20, managed to escape, and warned police. But his wife and three other children, 13, 11 and 7, remained inside. They were threatened several times by Dos Santos, who was described by police as a heavy drinker.

Dos Santos fired an undetermined number of shots as police arrived, forcing the authorities to evacuate neighboring homes. A shotgun pellet hit a police inspector who was reported in serious but stable condition Saturday. A police commando later managed to free the other members of the Dos Santos family, but the husband stayed inside, periodically opening fire.

Saturday morning police launched an attack with tear gas. Dos Santos came out of his house with his gun blazing and was fatally wounded by return fire, police said. Attempts to talk him out of the house had failed, they said.

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